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Visitors to a sauna...

...get to relax through the manipulation of their body temperature:

- sauna (high temperature)
- cold bath (low temperature)
- fresh air bath (ambient temperature)

I'm tired!

PING!

This alleviates exhaustion, beautifies the skin, detoxes the body, and refreshes the mind.

KOMI'S DAD

KOMI SHOKO 15:24

HELLO. MY DAD WANTS TO KNOW YOUR CONTACT INFO IN CASE OF EMERGENCY. IS THAT OKAY?

15:24

!

I'm sick of studyin'!

SWIPE SWIPE

PING

Some consider it the ultimate luxury.

YES, THAT'S ALL RIGHT.

FROM KOMI'S DAD?!

BOOM-CHAKA-RING

INCOMING CALL

BOOM-CHAKA-RING

...

BIP

H-HELLO? THIS IS TADANO.

?

...

Yaa-argh!

K-KOMI'S D-I MEAN, MASAYOSHI?

WITH KOMI'S DAD?!

WANT TO GO TO...A SAUNA?

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Communication 364: Sauna

?!

BATH BLOSSOM

TOMEI ATSUGI HEALTH CENTER

24H

24H

Bathing facility

TUNK

Masayoshi Komi

Shosuke Komi

OIL

?!

Hitohito Tadano

?!

HAPPY BATH DAY

THREE ADULTS.

Nervous around Tadano

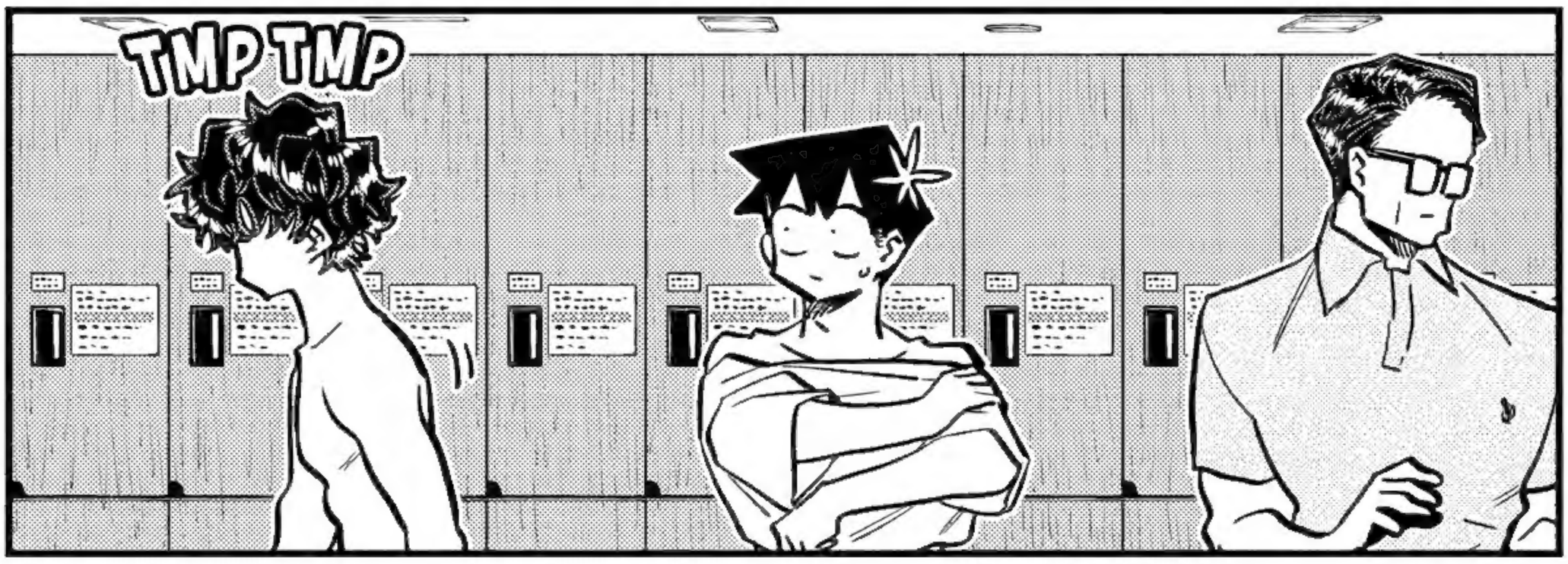
PINCH

?!

...

W-WHY DID YOU WANT TO—

MEN'S BATH
BATH
ENTRANCE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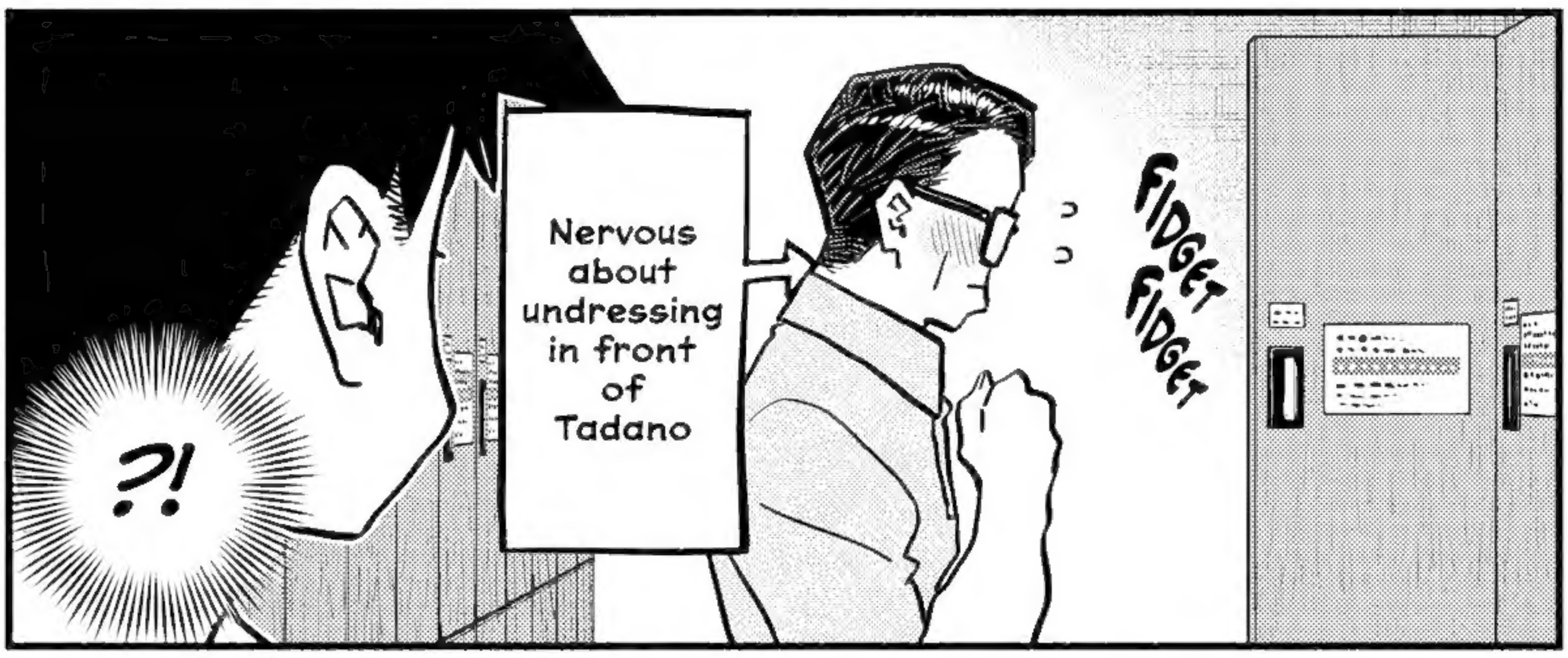
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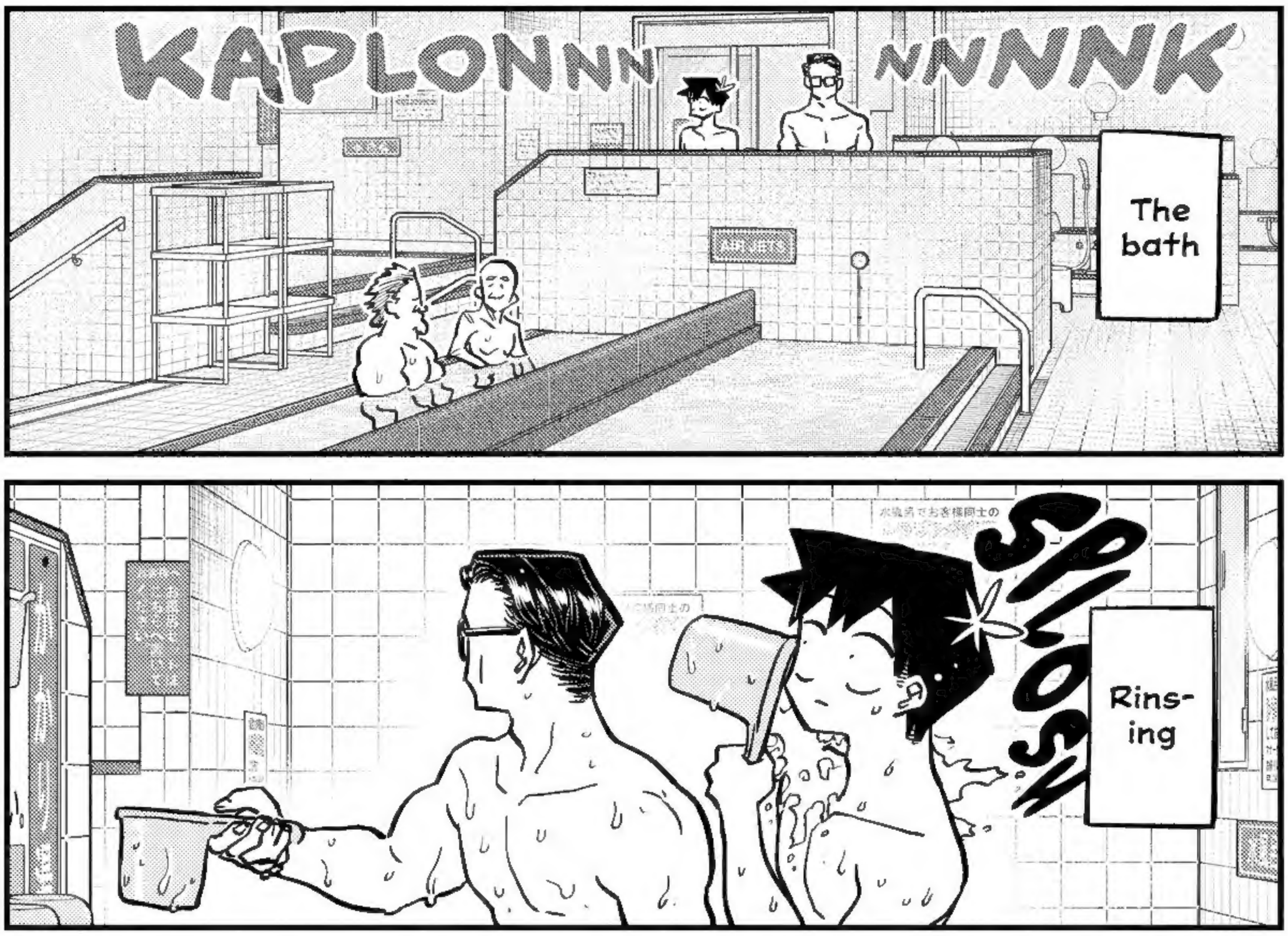
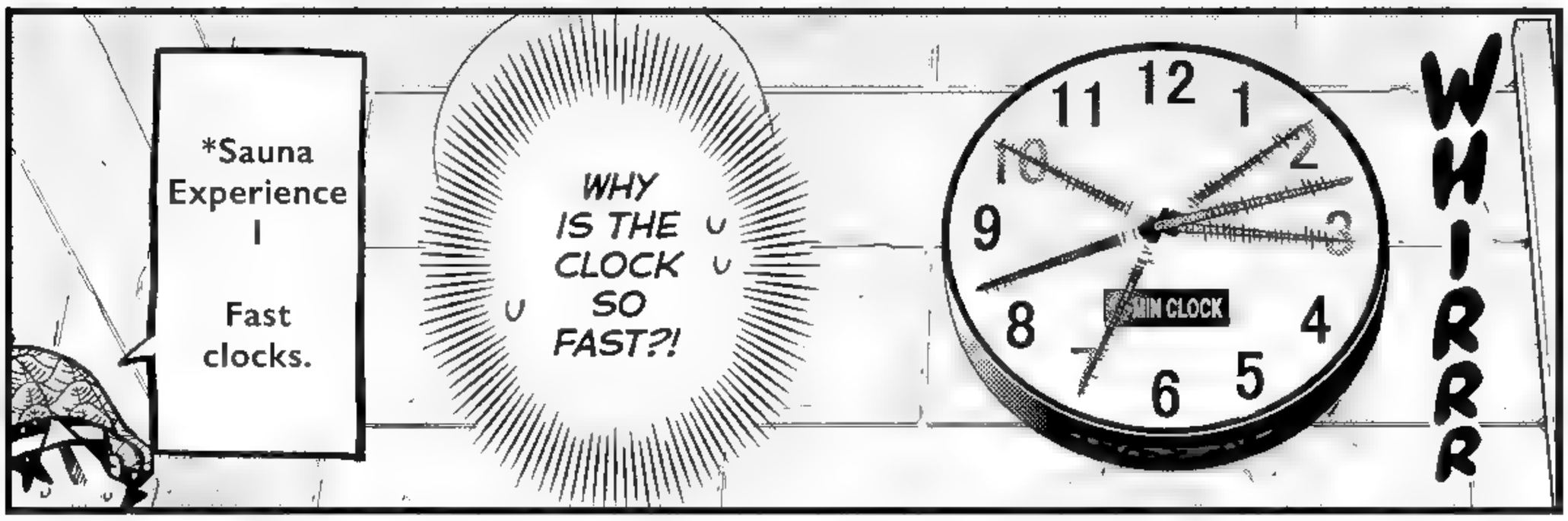
Nervous about undressing in front of Tadano
FIDGET FIDGET


KAPLONNN
NNNNK
The bath
AIR JETS
SPLOSH
Rins-ing
Wash-ing
NOW FOR THE SAUNA!

HEART DISEASE
THERE'S A NICE TREE SMELL...
I GUESS WE HAVE TO SIT ON TOWELS.
TOWELS
ONE TOWEL PER PERSON
/RAP AROUND LOWER BODY.
I HAVEN'T BEEN TO MANY SAUNAS.
P-PARDON ME...
Tadano sits near Masayoshi.

HOW LONG HAVE WE BEEN IN HERE?
GLANCE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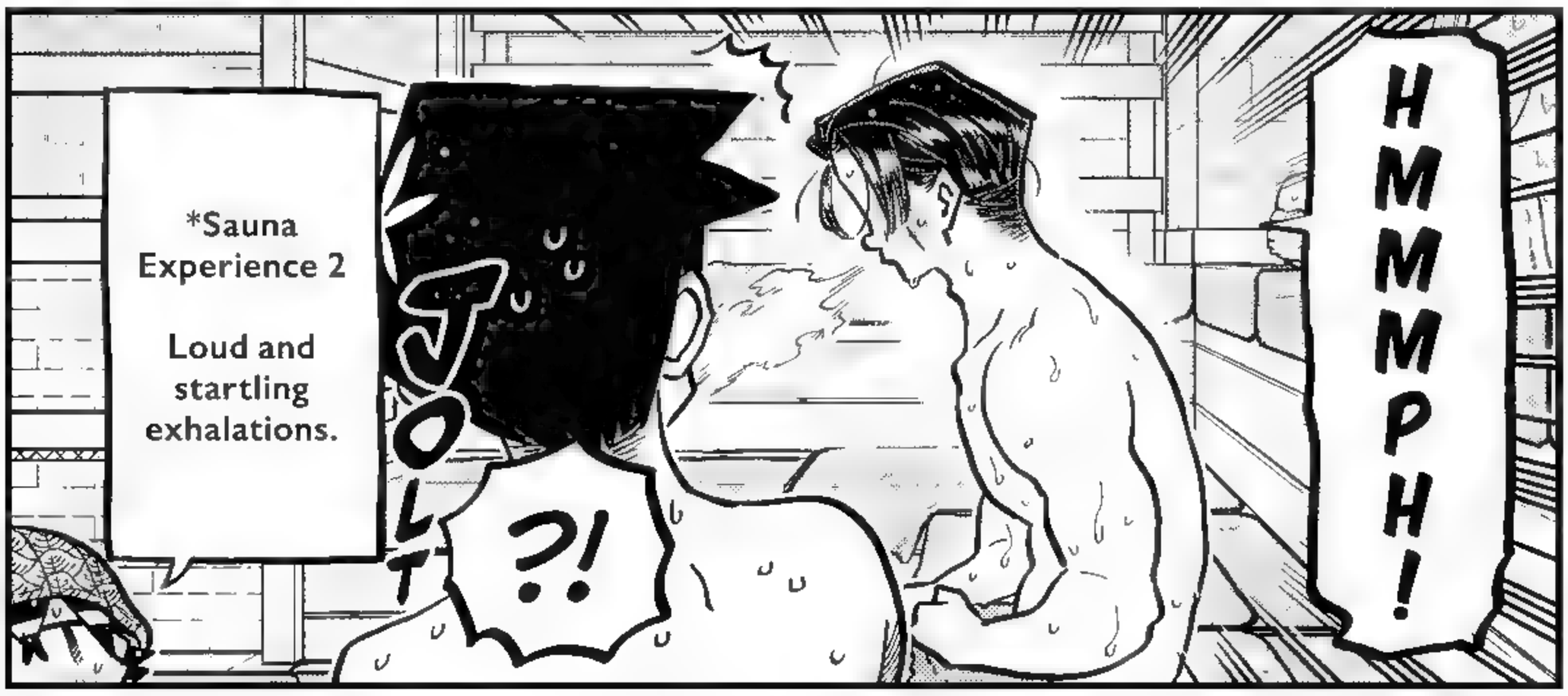
Fast clocks.
WHY IS THE CLOCK SO FAST?!
SKIN CLOCK
WHIRRR


*Sauna Experience 2
Loud and startling exhalations.
?!
HMMPH!

*Sauna Experience 3

The determination to outlast someone else.

I WON'T GIVE MY DAUGHTER TO A WIMP WHO HAS TO LEAVE THE SAUNA BEFORE I DO.

IS HE TESTING ME?

!

SIP

OKAY...I WON'T!

DON'T FORCE YOURSELF.

WAIT!

!!

I'm hot...

SPLASH

*Sauna rule

After the sauna, rinse off your sweat and enter the cold bath.

Left at the same time

A SUDDEN SPEECH?!

THE TRUE PATH TO LUXURIATION LIES IN USING A HOT SHOWER TO RINSE FROM HEAD TO TOE.

DON'T RINSE WITH COLD WATER.

SPLSH

Cold bath

*Tadano after two reps.

Fresh air bath

PWAAA

AAAAH

Relaxation-induced casual vibe

...

MASAYOSHI, WHY DID YOU INVITE ME TODAY?

WELL... YES, A LITTLE.

NO, NOT AT ALL.

WERE YOU SURPRISED?

HE SOUNDED KNOWLEDGEABLE TO ME...

...AND SAUNAS ARE GOOD FOR RELIEVING EXHAUSTION. OR SO I'VE HEARD.

SHOKO SAID YOU'VE BEEN STUDYING HARD...

ACTUALLY, THE TRUTH IS...

OH? TH-THANKS.

...I WANTED TO BOND WITH YOU.

...!

MASAYOSHI ...

BAMBI BLOSSOM

24H

TOMEI ATSUGI HEALTH CENTER

Third rep

...

IS ANYTHING TROUBLING YOU?

...

...

...

*He shouldn't ask her father.

?!

Delir-ious from the heat

HOW DO YOU KISS A GIRL?!

?!

Delir-ious from the heat

MY FIRST KISS WAS AFTER A TRIP TO THE BEACH.

?!

OH...

LATER, I MARRIED HER.

...

"Stop asking ques-tions!"

W-WHAT WAS IT LIKE?

?!

IT WAS GREAT.

"What does 'Oh' mean?!"

OH...

Couldn't handle it anymore

CHAK

WHAT DID IT TASTE LIKE?

SAUNA

CHAK

CARBON BATH

?!

SHUMP

MASA-YOSHI?!

Sus-pected this would happen

ARE Y-YOU ALL RIGHT?!

ELIXIR

SHUP

BLOP

He's fine, but he wants to test how his daughter's boyfriend would behave in an emergency.

?!

HE NEEDS ARTIFICIAL RESPIRA-TION!!!

OH NO! HE ISN'T BREATH-ING!!

Old man to the rescue

DO IT NOW!!

AND HE'S BREATH-ING FINE!

HUFF HUFF

HE ISN'T MY DAD!

OTHER-WISE, YOUR DAD WILL *DIE!!*

!!

CARBON BATH

FWIP

SITTING NEAR BUBBLE JET MAY CAUSE MALFUNCTION

GASP!

...!

GACK

Masayoshi should just get up...

...but the old guy's got a solid grip.

GRNCH

Read vertically!

!!

A life is at stake!!

DO IIIT!!

I HAVE TO HELP HIM! FOR KOMI'S SAKE!

Lift chin. Secure air passage. Pinch nose.

...I WANTED TO BOND WITH yo

BESIDES ...

FWIP

MOAAAN

!!

"No, wait! No, wait! No, wait!"

OKAY, HERE GOES!!

?! ?! ?!

GRB

TWIST

WHAT ARE YOU DOING?! HOLD HIS HEAD STILL!!

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Shosuke held back his laughter.

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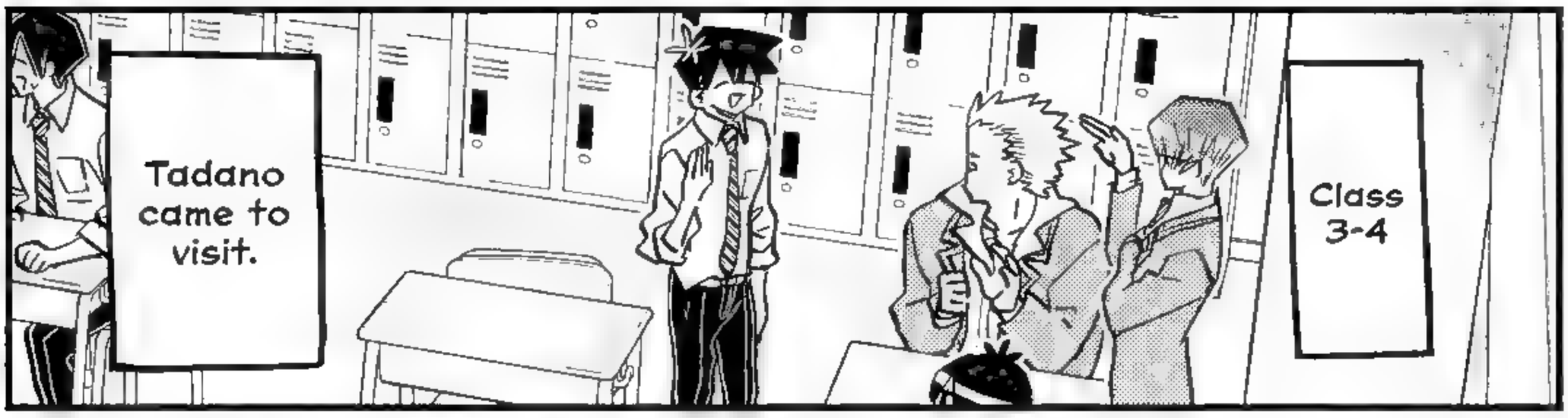

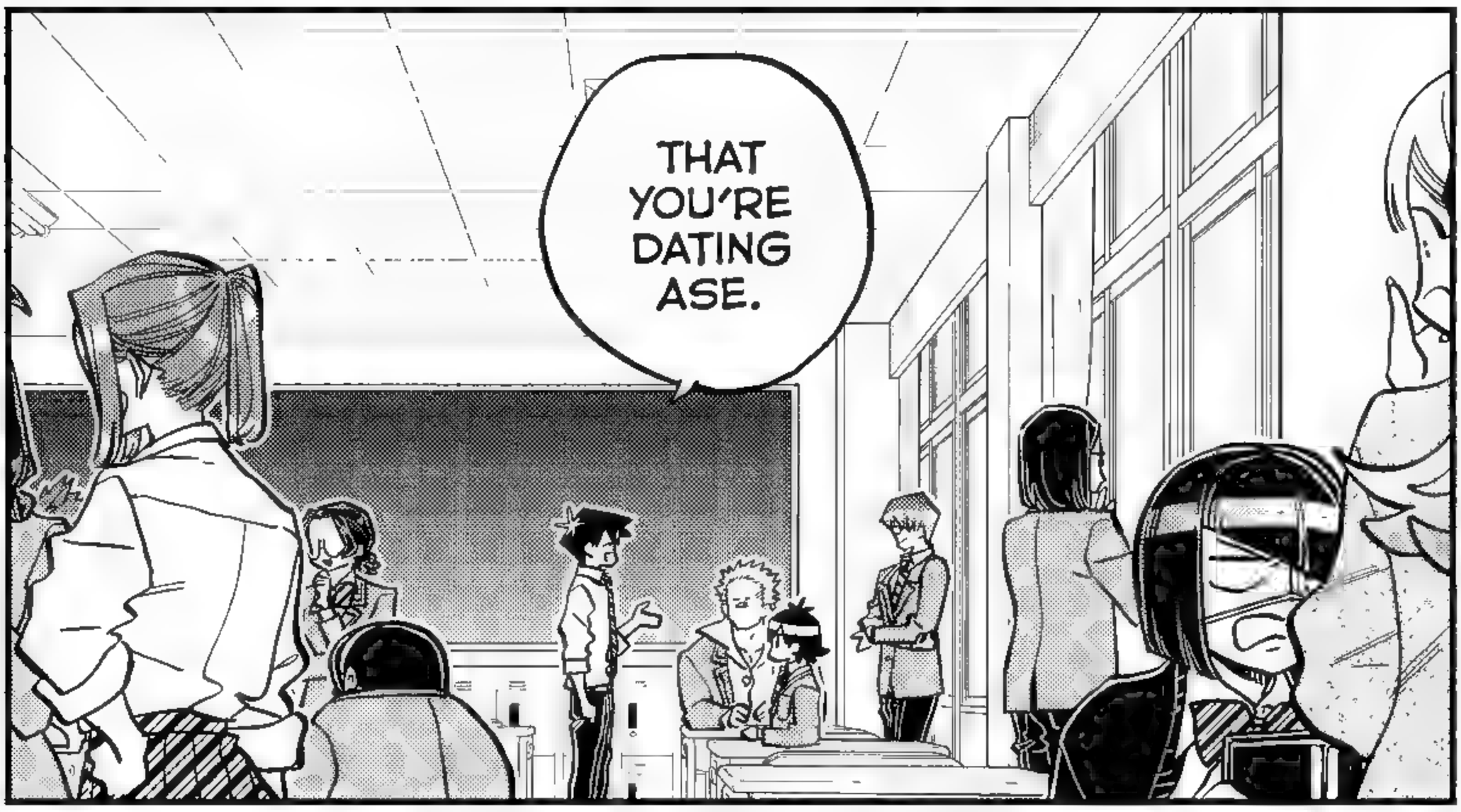

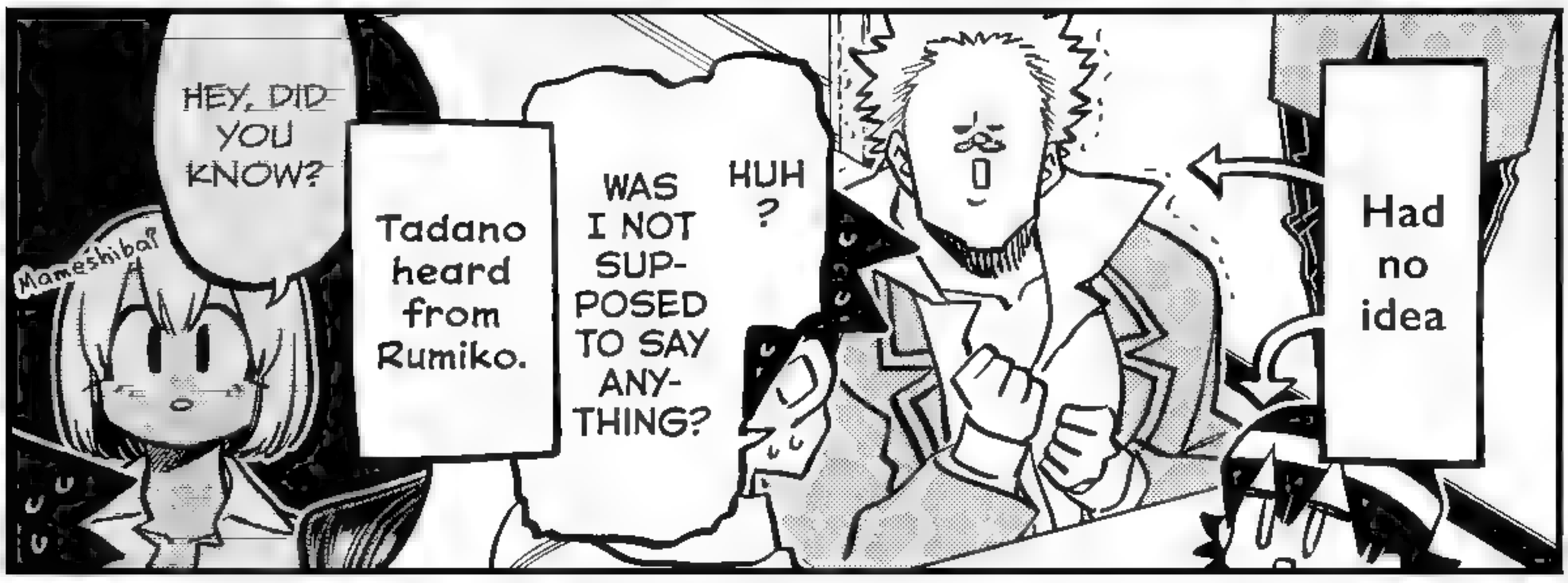

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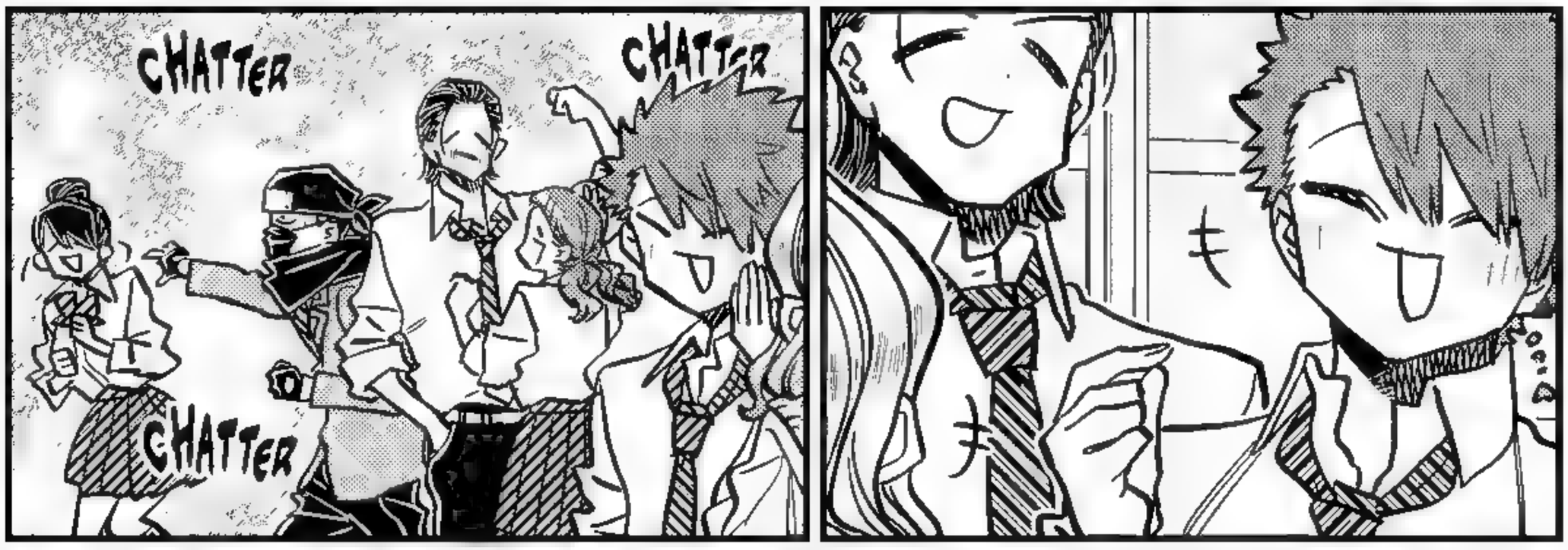
CHATTER
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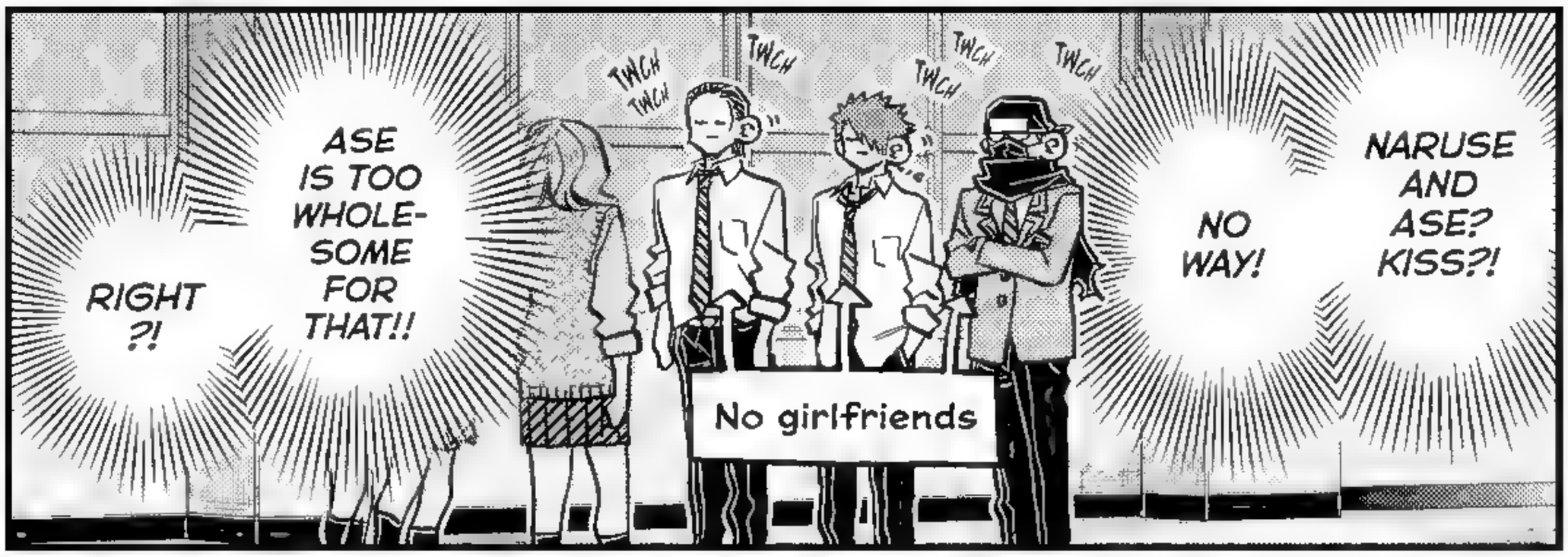
NARUSE HAS A GIRLFRIEND?!
WHY ARE YOUR EARS SO BIG?
Single but always talks to girls
Single but always talks to girls
Single but always talks to girls

SORRY, I DIDN'T KNOW IT WAS SECRET.
AW, THE SECRET'S OUT NOW...

WORRY NOT!

THIS GUY HAS A GIRL-FRIEND?!
UM, OKAY.
GLEEEEEEAM
I still belong to everyone!

So you should too!
TADANO ?!
THEY ALREADY KISSED.
Black Mam-eshiba Rumiko
H-HAVE YOU KISSED YET?
Whis-per


TWCH
TWCH
TWCH
TWCH
TWCH
ASE IS TOO WHOLE-SOME FOR THAT!!
RIGHT ?!
No girlfriends
NO WAY!
NARUSE AND ASE? KISS?!

NO WAY!!
GLEE EE EAM
...you know!
Yeah, well...

...
WHY'S TADANO BEING SO PUSHY?!
W-WHAT WAS IT LIKE?!

TELL US ALREADY !!
FW UP
...
So adamant...
...

NO WAAA-AAY!!

...DELEC-TABLE!

IT WAS...

AND STAY DRESS-ED!!

IF SO, HE SHOULD SAY SO!!

I DOUBT HE DID IT!!

HE'S WAY TOO CASUAL ABOUT IT!!

WHAT A WAY TO PUT IT!!

ARE Y-YOU GUYS OKAY?

"DELEC-TABLE" ?!

Yaay!

Yaay!

BUT WE'RE STILL SINGLE?!

AND NO ONE COMPLAINS WHEN WE TAKE THEIR SEATS OR HANG OUT IN DOORWAYS!

Yaay!

WE GO BOWLING AND STUFF WITH GIRLS ALL THE TIME!

?

IS LOVE BETWEEN ONE BOY AND ONE GIRL WHAT LIFE IS ALL ABOUT?!

Heeey!

THEN WHAT'S IT ALL FOR?!

CLAP CLAP CLAP CLAP CLAP CLAP CLAP

POW

?!

HURRAAAHH

Everyone overheard

?!!

A

WORD IS YOU DID IT. WE'LL PREPARE A CELEBRATORY GIFT.

!!!

PWAAAAAAAH

UH-OH! HE'S IN TROUBLE NOW!

W-WHAT DID YOU TELL THEM, NARUSE?!

YOU GOTTA BELIEVE ME!!!

W-WE DIDN'T! REALLY!!

URGH ...

ERM...

...MMF?

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I'm off!
Good morning!
Good morning!

!

KOMI?

SHE'S IN HER SUMMER UNIFORM ...

BOW

!

BOW

!

BOW

!

OH, THANKS.

... WOKE UP EARLY.

Y-YES... I, UM...

G-GOOD MORNING.

WERE YOU WAITING FOR ME?

...

...

I DON'T CARE! I'M GONNA SAY IT!

WOULD IT BE CREEPY IF I SAID SHE LOOKS CUTE IN HER SUMMER UNIFORM?

YEP! THAT WAS CREEPY!

HEH HEH ...

...ER ...

UM...

...GGG.

Sud-
denly
noticed
!!
NOD
NOD
JOLT
YOU
FORGOT
YOUR
LUNCH?!
?!
HUH? W-
WHAT?!
?!
?!
O-OKAY,
WELL,
BE
CAREFUL!
!!
NUH UH
SHALL
I HOLD
YOUR
BAG?!
YOU'RE
GOING
BACK
FOR
IT?!
!!
DISH
MAYBE
BECAUSE
YOU
LEFT
EARLY!
SHE
REALLY
PAN-
ICKED.
TROMP TROMP
ITAN PRIVATE HIGH SCHOOL

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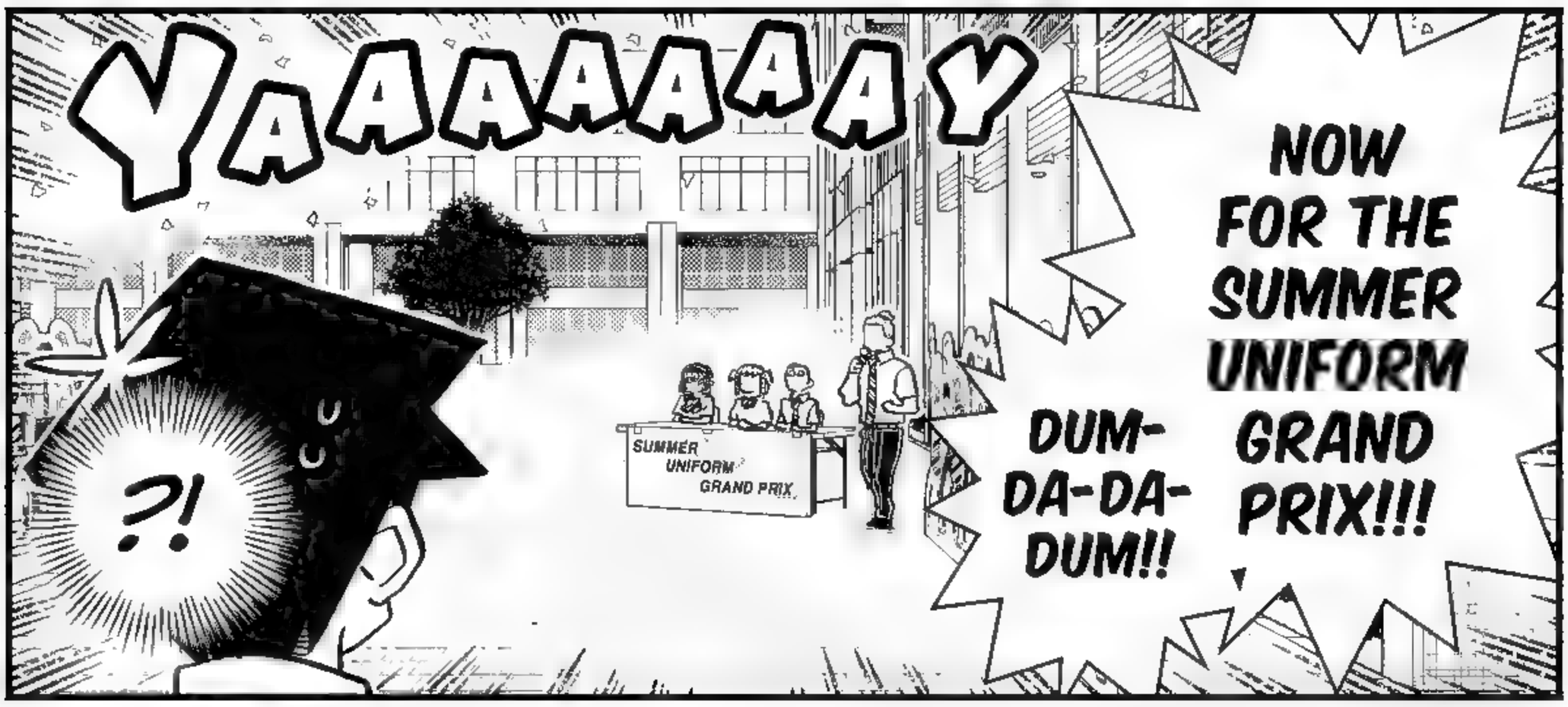
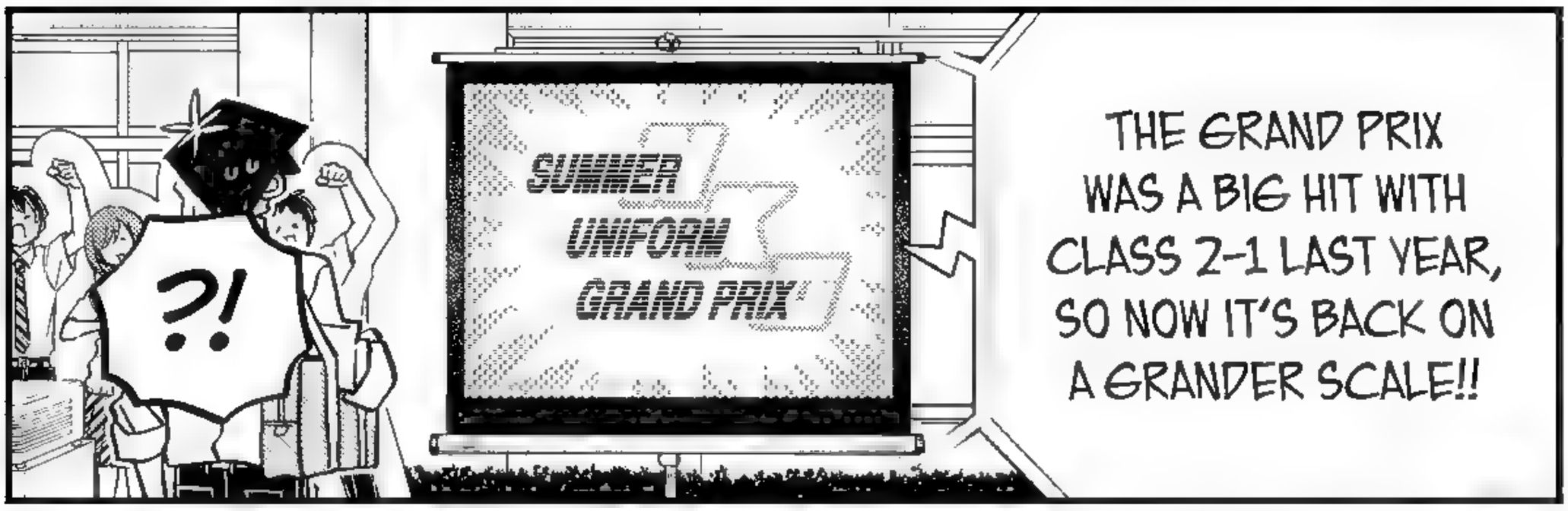
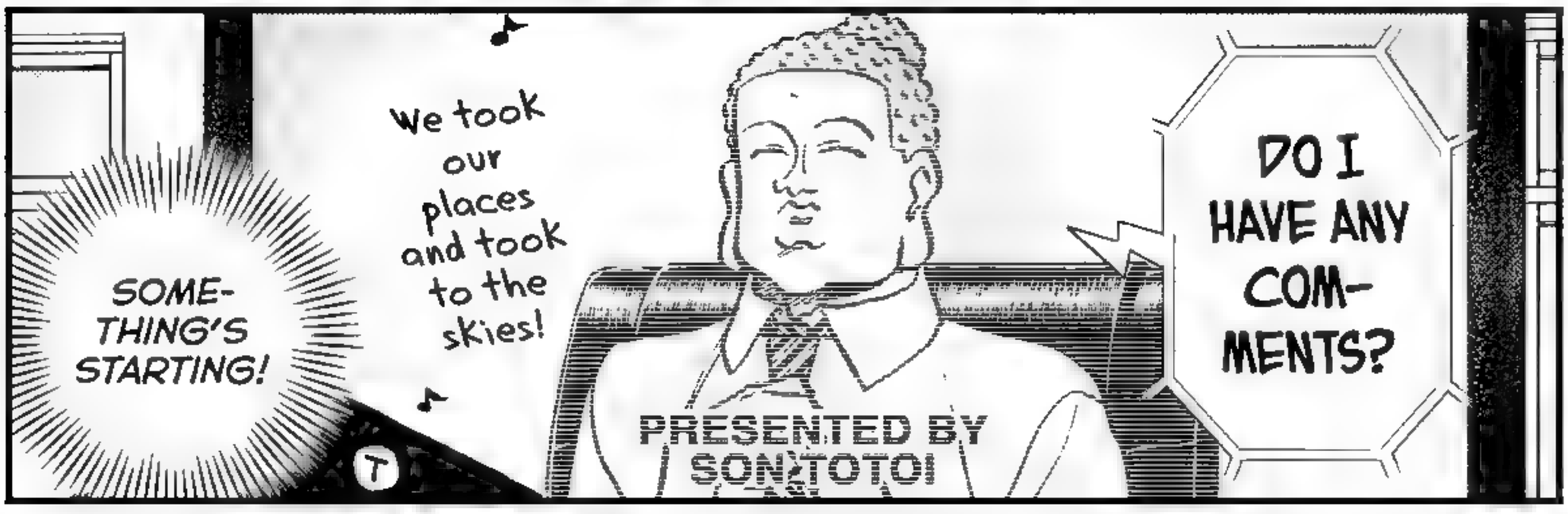
Summer Uniform Grand Prix!







NO SURPRISE THERE!

STUDENT COUNCIL PRESIDENT KIYOKO ISAGI

...WAS MET WITH FIRM RESIS-TANCE.

WHY NOT REVISE IT?!

STUDENT COUNCIL PRESIDENT KIYOKO ISAGI

STUDENT COUNCIL PRESIDENT KIYOKO ISAGI

BUT TOTOI DIDN'T GIVE UP. HE TRIED AND TRIED AGAIN WITH THE EXACT SAME PROPOSAL!

HE'S INCOR-RIGIBLE!

By her glare!

I WAS TURNED ON!

WHAT WERE YOU THINK-ING?

THE WHAT?!

EVENTUALLY, HE RECEIVED PERMISSION BY APPLYING THE **THREE PRINCIPLES OF EROTICISM!**

Making only gimbap rolls!

PROFESSIONER WORK DONE RIGHT

...GLARE AT HIM EVEN MORE.

TOTOI SAID HE WISHED THAT SHE WOULD...

?!

THANKS!

Yuragi Emoyama

Shuki ohai

Natsu Fukusuki

SUMMER UNIFORM

HERE ARE THE JUDGES!!

I'M JUST AVER-AGE, HUH?

AH! HE SETS THE BASE-LINE!

BAM★

5 5 5

SUMMER UNIFORM

HOW DOES TADANO LOOK IN HIS SUMMER UNIFORM?

TMP

SUMMER UNIFORM GRAND PRIX

HERE COMES A CHAL-LENGER!

NAJIMI IS USUALLY LATE, BUT THEY ALWAYS SHOW UP EARLY FOR THE GRAND PRIX!!

NAJIMI OSANA!!

...AND SENSIBLE ACCES-SORIES!

NAJIMI'S SHOWING OFF SLENDER ARMS...

WILL THIS SWAY THEM?!

IN A MOVE POPULAR ON TIKTAK, NAJIMI'S LEG BEARS THE MESSAGE "#LUVTHEJUDGES" UNDER THIGH-HIGH SOCKS!

FWIP

#LUVTHEJUDGES
#VICTORY
#THIGHH

AND WHAT'S THIS?!

?!

NOT BAD! NOT BAD AT ALL!!

BAM

7

8

9

HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
SUMMER UNIFORM GRAND PRIX
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
WHO'S OUR NEXT CONTES-TANT?!
IT'S MAKERU, ON HER WAY BACK FROM MORNING PRACTICE!!
WHEW!
SHE DIDN'T REALLY HAVE PRAC-TICE!!
GLANCE
GLANCE
How do I look?
THE WHOLE THING IS A SHOW!
SHE'S LOOKING THE JUDGES' WAY!
GYA-RRR-RGH!
AND THE JUDGES ARE NOT IMPRESSED!
UGH
2
2
2

HUH?
WHAH?
BWUH?

NEXT IS MANBAGI!

HWUH?!
ME?!

WOULD YOU LIKE TO SAY ANYTHING?

HER ENTHUSIASM SPEAKS VOLUMES!!

ISN'T 30 THE MAX?!

WHOA! SHE SCORES 243 POINTS! I'D EXPECT NO LESS FROM LAST YEAR'S RUNNER-UP!!

BAM

081 (Chest)

081 (Chest)

081 (Chest)

?!

A FIRST-YEAR ENTERS THE FIELD! KOMOREBI HIKI!!

Mornin', Gandamu!

SHE WORE THE WRONG UNIFORM!

WILL THE JUDGES SCORE HER ANY-WAY?!

?!!

BUT WHAT'S THIS?! SHE'S IN HER WINTER UNIFORM!

She feels sick.

?!

PUMP

BLUSH

I'LL NEVER COME TO SCHOOL AGAIN!!

WHSH

THE JUDGES LIKE IT! NOW GET HER TO THE NURSE!

Eno!

BAM★

98

77

79

IT HAP-PENS.

IT'S TIME TO PICK UP THE PACE!

One-mine

82 79 86

BOING BOING

Agari

081 (Chest) 081 (Chest) 081 (Chest)

HUFF HUFF

Sorry Sorry Sorry

HOW DARE YOU JUDGE ME?!

URGH ...

Shiina

Woot! Ribon!

31 96 99

Imoto

86 78 89

Y.Y. Han-nya

POING

081 (Chest) 081 (Chest) 081 (Chest)

Katai

A full perfor-mance?!

Woo!

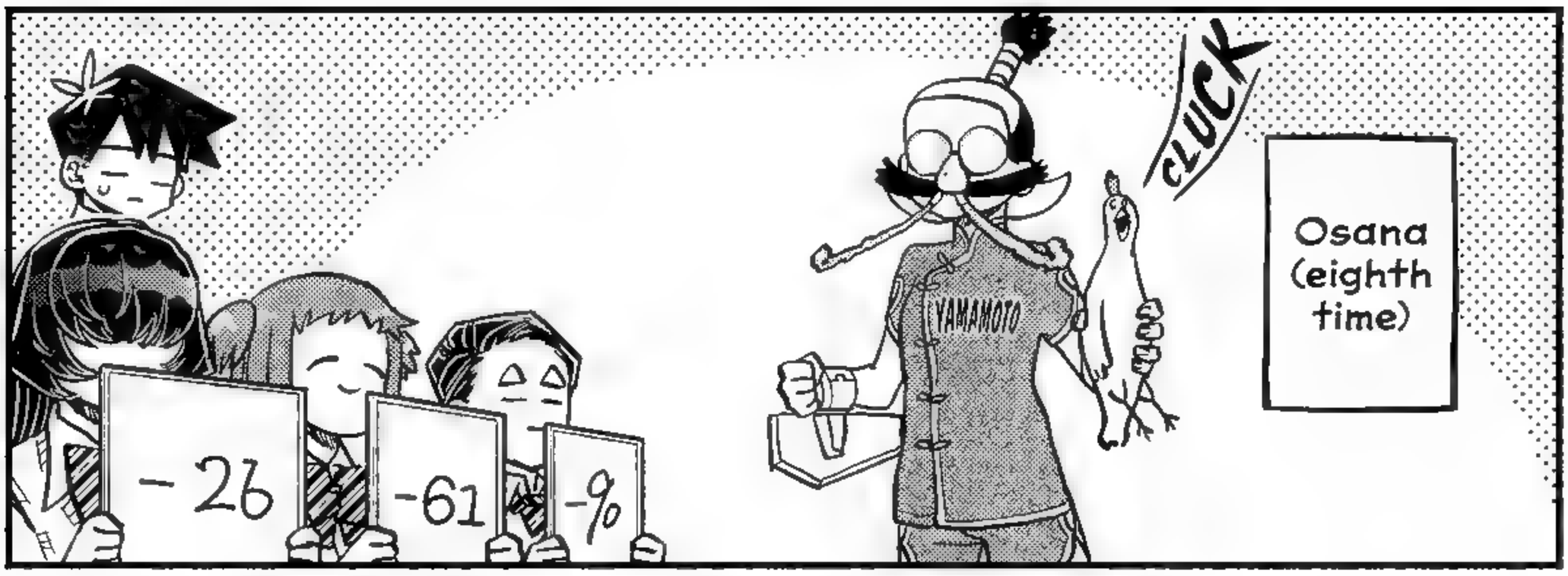
BOOM CHAKA

BOOM CHAKA

85 081 (Chest) 87

Sanba with a troupe of Carnival dancers

YOGRAH
YOGRAH
Un-named delin-quents
2 1 0
GWOOO
OOOOOOO
Suteno
66 39 50
WHY SO MANY DELIN-QUENTS?!
RRMM
MMMM
Second-year delin-quents
2 2 0
?!
SKWIK SKWIK SKWIK SKWIK SKWIK SKWIK SKWIK SKWIK
2 2 0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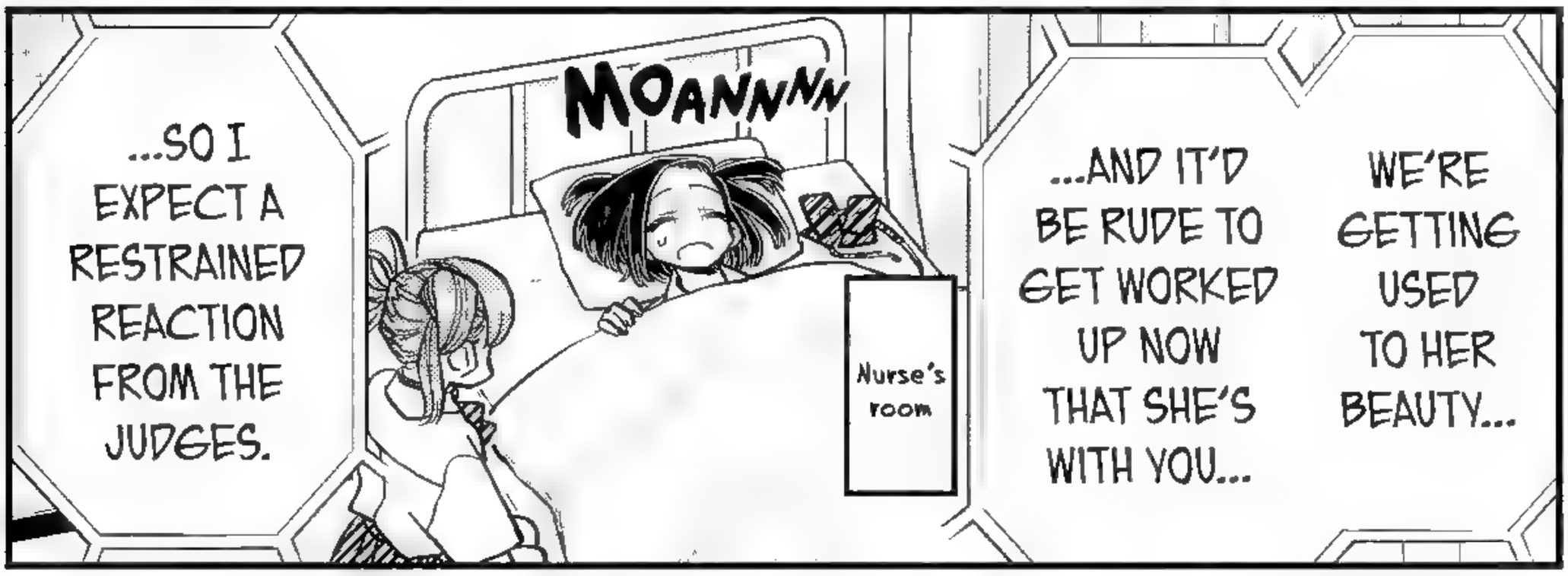
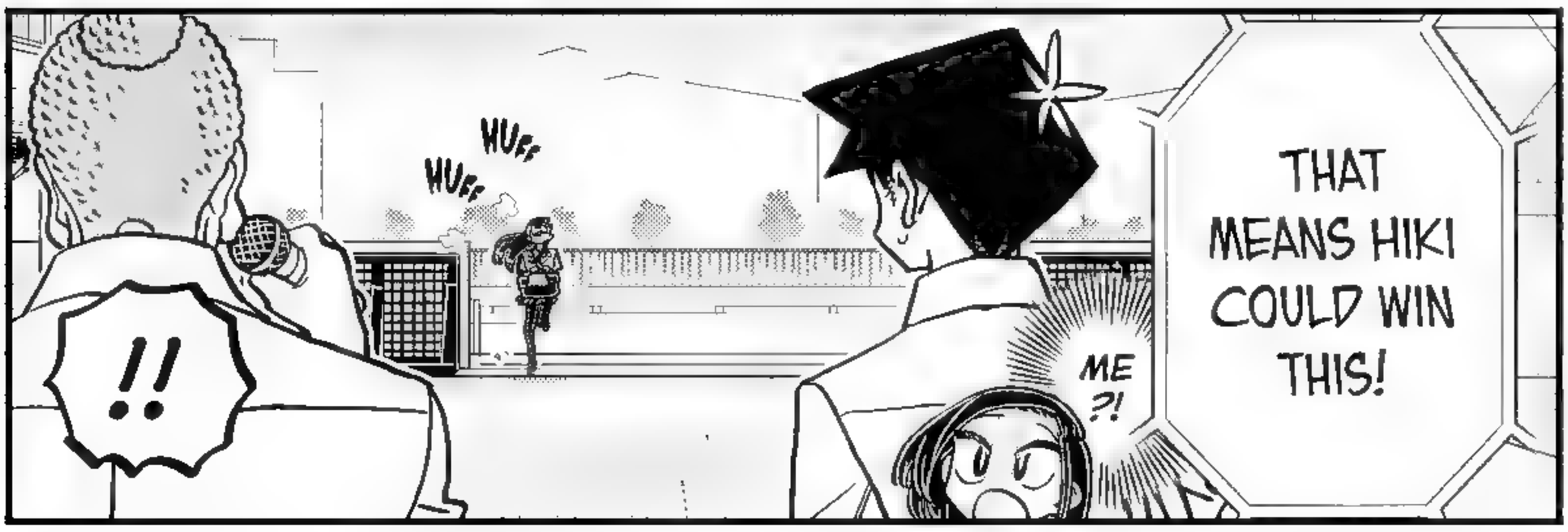
YAMAMOTO
CLUCK
Osana (eighth time)

OH, I SEE!
SHE WENT BACK FOR HER LUNCH.
T
HONOR-ABLE COM-PANION ?!
LAST YEAR'S CHAMPION WAS KOMI, BUT SHE HAS YET TO APPEAR! LET'S HEAR FROM TADANO, HER HONORABLE COMPANION!


...SO I EXPECT A RESTRAINED REACTION FROM THE JUDGES.
MOANNNN
Nurse's room
...AND IT'D BE RUDE TO GET WORKED UP NOW THAT SHE'S WITH YOU...
WE'RE GETTING USED TO HER BEAUTY...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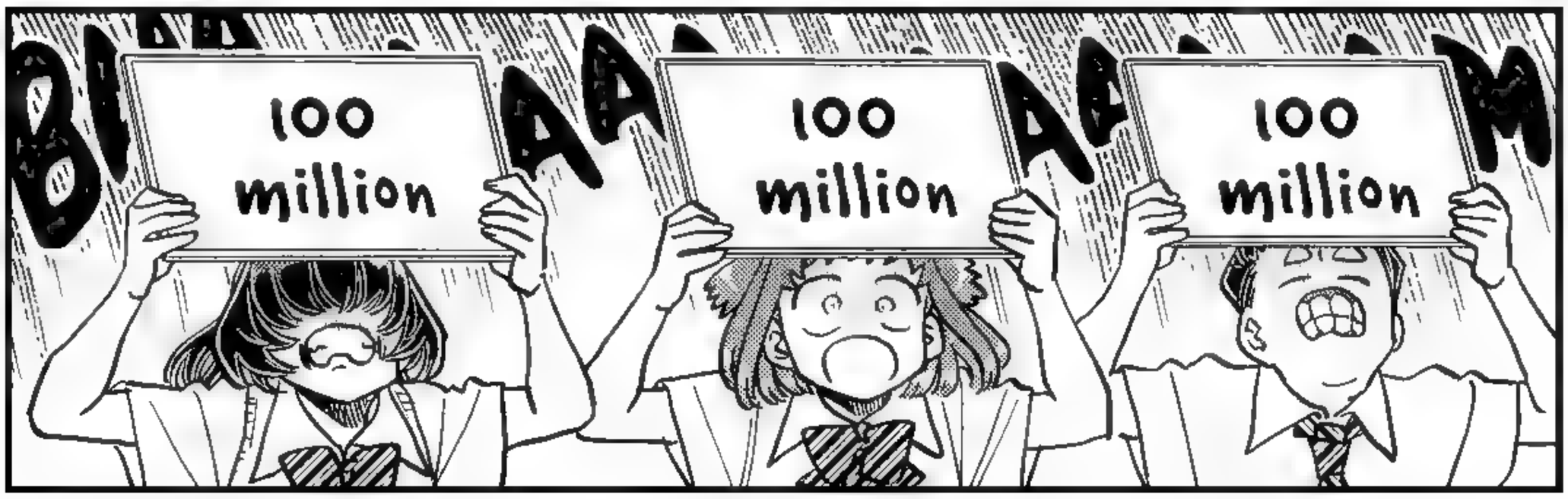
HUFF
HUFF
ME ?!
THAT MEANS HIKI COULD WIN THIS!

TROT
TROT
SUMMER UNIFORM GRAND PRIX
TROT
TROT


BAAAAAM
100 million
100 million
100 million

!!
100 million
100 million
100 million
I DIDN'T SAY ANYTHING EARLIER, BUT...
SHIMP
...YOU DO LOOK CUTE...
...IN YOUR SUMMER UNIFORM.
8!
WHOOSH

Hearing that is the reason she got up early.

Komi wins for the third year in a row.

THANK YOU.

1 trillion

2.5 trillion

1 trillion

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Communication 367: Young Women's Club

Homare Tojoin (29)

Note: single

*First appearance: volume 21

Ryoko Tenjoin (28)

Note: single

*First appearance: volume 8

Hoshiko Tesh-igawara (27)

Note: single

*First appearance: volume 3

YOU HAVEN'T CHANGED AT ALL!

IT'S BEEN ABOUT ONE YEAR.

WE HAVEN'T DONE THIS FOR A WHILE.

...

YOU'RE THE BEST! ♥

DO YOU NEED A TIS-SUE?

TH-THANK YOU! AH... AH... ACHOO!

OH, A SOU-VENIR FROM LOS ANGE-LES?

YES, BUT IT'S FUN. LISTEN TO THIS! THE STUDENTS THAT VISIT HIROSHIMA ARE DIFFERENT FROM THE STUDENTS WHO VISIT KYOTO!

RYOKO, YOU WORK IN HIROSHIMA NOW? ISN'T THAT HARD?

BLAHBLAHBLAHBLAHBLAH BLAHBLAHBLAHBLAHBLAHB

...

...UM...

SO...

HM?

...HAVE BOY-FRIENDS?

...DO YOU TWO...

Note: single

Tee hee!

I'M SEEING SOMEONE NEW.

Note: single

Shhh!

WE'RE KEEPING IT SECRET FROM OUR CO-WORKERS. ♥

Note: single

BLUSH

CCCC

HE'S A COLLEGE STUDENT!

...

KYAH♥

A YOUNGER MAN, TESSHI?!

RYOKO! THAT'S A FORBIDDEN ROMANCE!

YOU'RE BLESSED IN LOVE, HOMARE!

HOLD ON A SECOND! NO WAY! I'M THE BEST CATCH HERE, BUT I'M SINGLE WHILE THEY HAVE BOYFRIENDS?! HOW CAN THAT BE?! THEY MUST BE LYING!!

TRMBL TRMBL TRMBL TRMBL TRMBL

...WHILE I'VE GOT THE BEST LOOKS! YET THEY HAVE BOYFRIENDS AND I DON'T? THEY MUST BE LYING! ☆

HOMARE IS SNOOTY AND TESSHI IS CLUELESS...

CHOMP CHOMP CHOMP CHOMP CHOMP

THEY LIKE TO SHOW OFF, BUT I'M THE MOST SOCIAL ONE HERE! NO WAY DO THEY HAVE BOYFRIENDS WHILE I DON'T! THEY MUST BE LYING!! MY NOSE IS ITCHY...

ROLL

TADUM

They all shared the same goal.

I'LL SHOW MY SUPERIORITY BY EXPOSING THEIR LIES!!

YOU COOK, TESSHI? NOW *THAT'S* UNBELIEV-ABLE!

MY BEAU HAS A PART-TIME JOB HANDING OUT TISSUES. I USUALLY COOK FOR HIM AT HOME.

I'M SO JEALOUS. (DEADPAN) MY MAN AND I NEVER DO ANYTHING LIKE THAT! WE PREFER SECLUDED TRYSTS!

HE'S A STOCK-BROKER. I HARDLY EVER SEE HIM, BUT THE OTHER NIGHT WE WENT TO A RESTAURANT WITH A GORGEOUS VIEW OF THE L.A. SKYLINE!

SO, UM, WHAT'S YOUR BOY-FRIEND LIKE?

BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH

Note: Maki Kari-suma (29) single

STROLL STROLL

SORRY I'M LATE.

SUCH ELABORATE PREVARI-CATION!!

I CAN'T LET THEM FIND OUT!

THEY'RE SKILLED IN EVA-SION...

Thirty min-utes later

IT'S...

...MAKI!!

HUFF HUFF HUFF HUFF HUFF

HOW IS THAT POSSIBLE?!!?!?

GLEAM

HUH? NO.

DO YOU HAVE A BOY-FRIEND ?!

...

Coffee, please.

...

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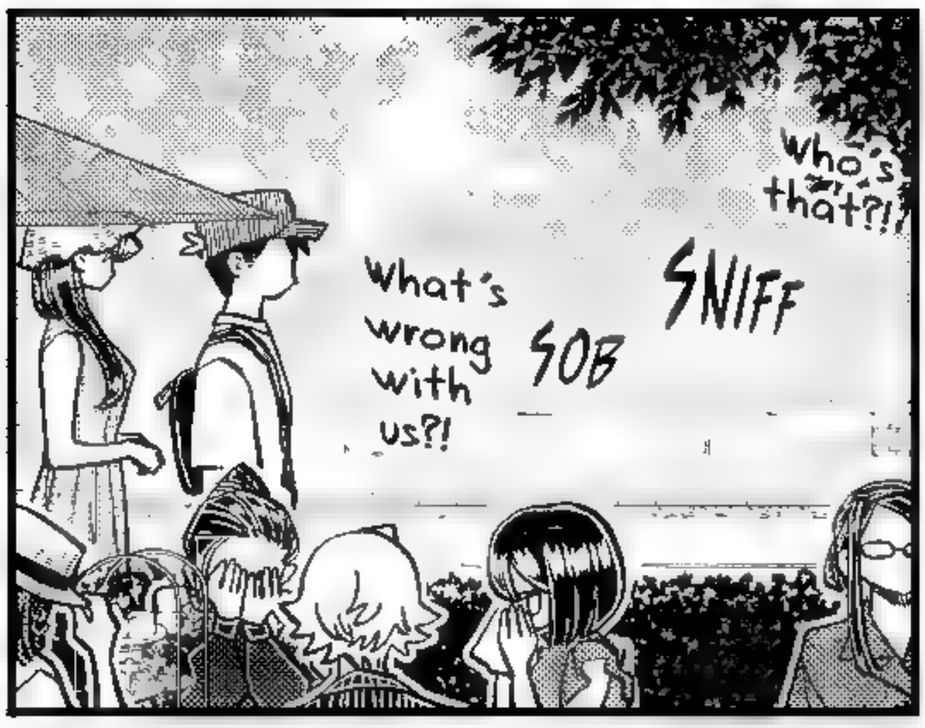
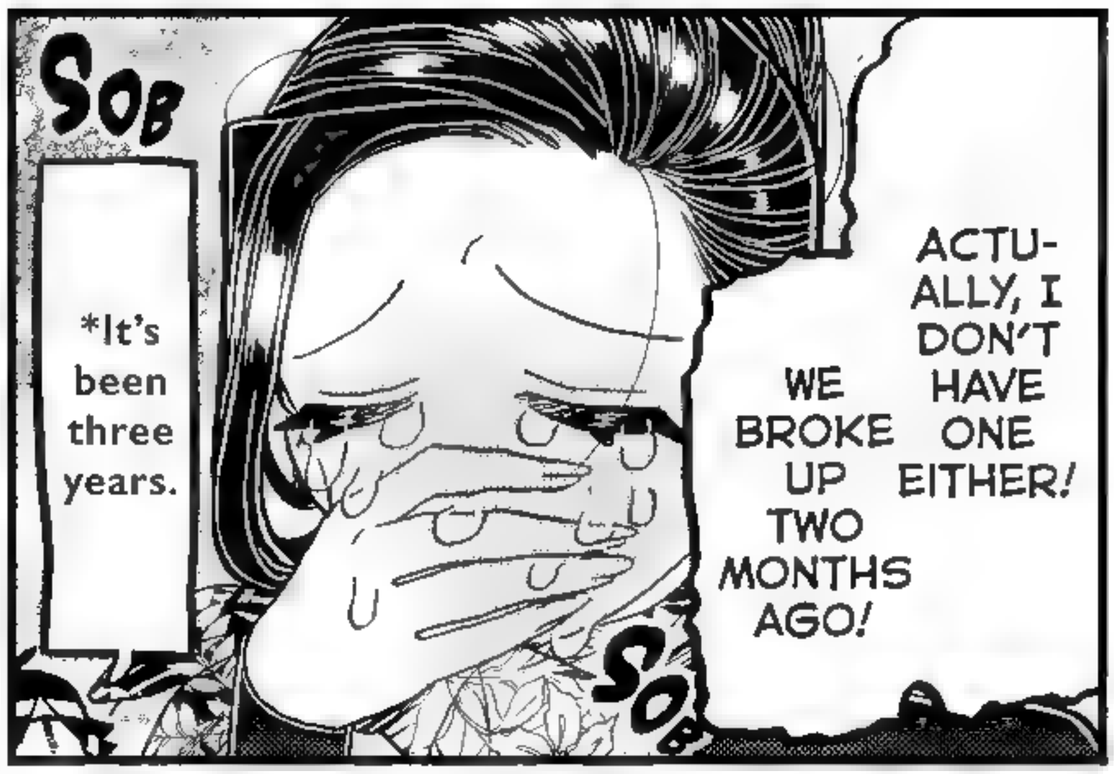
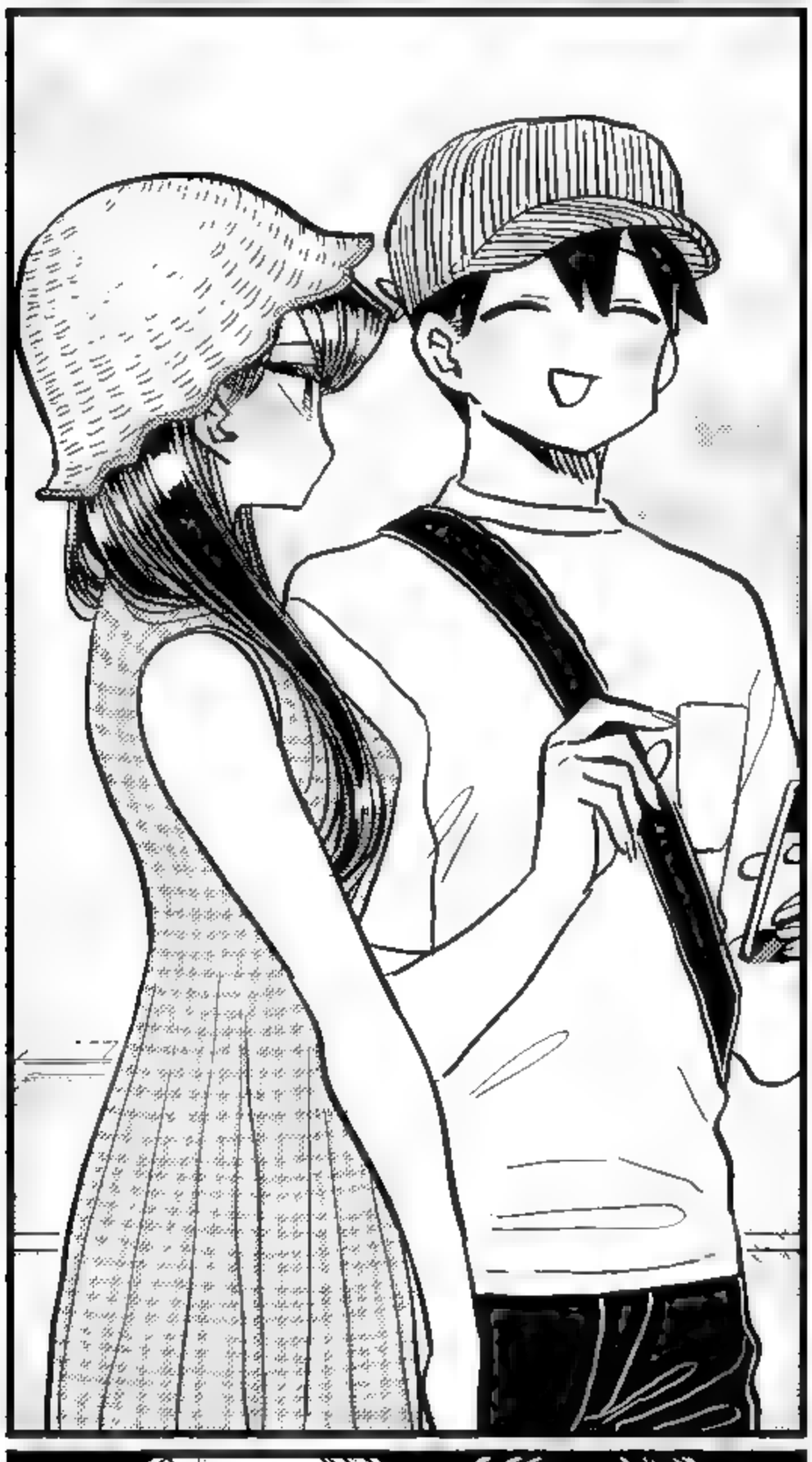
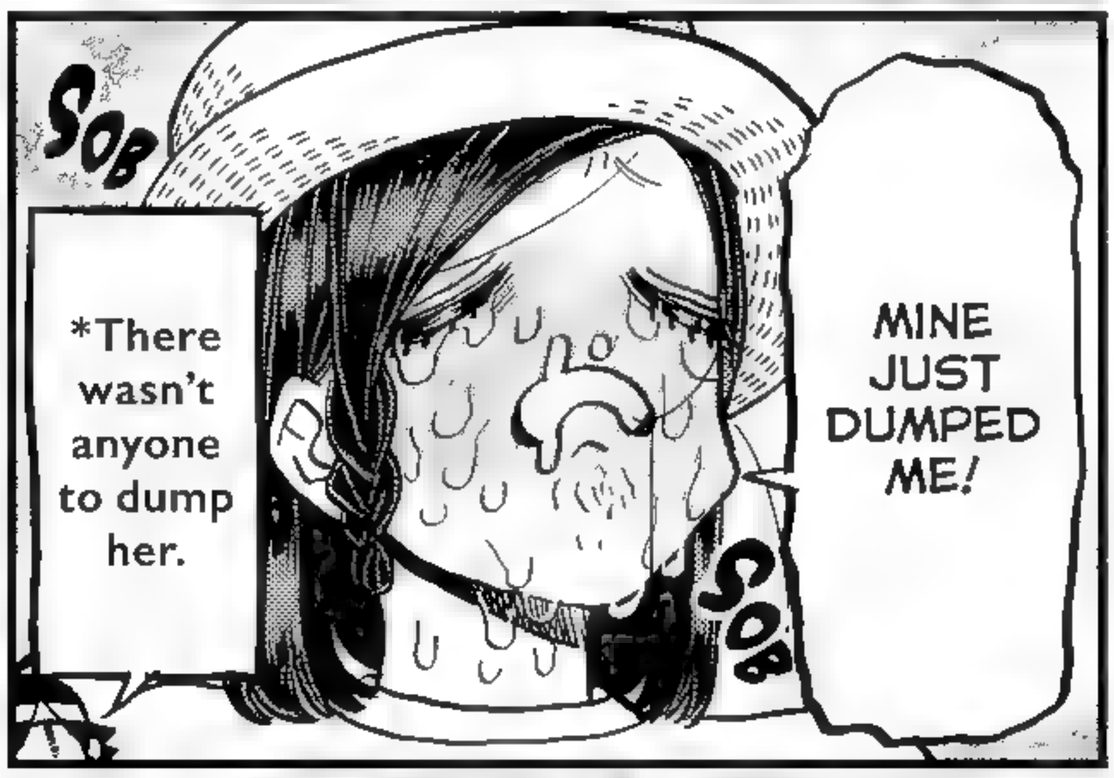
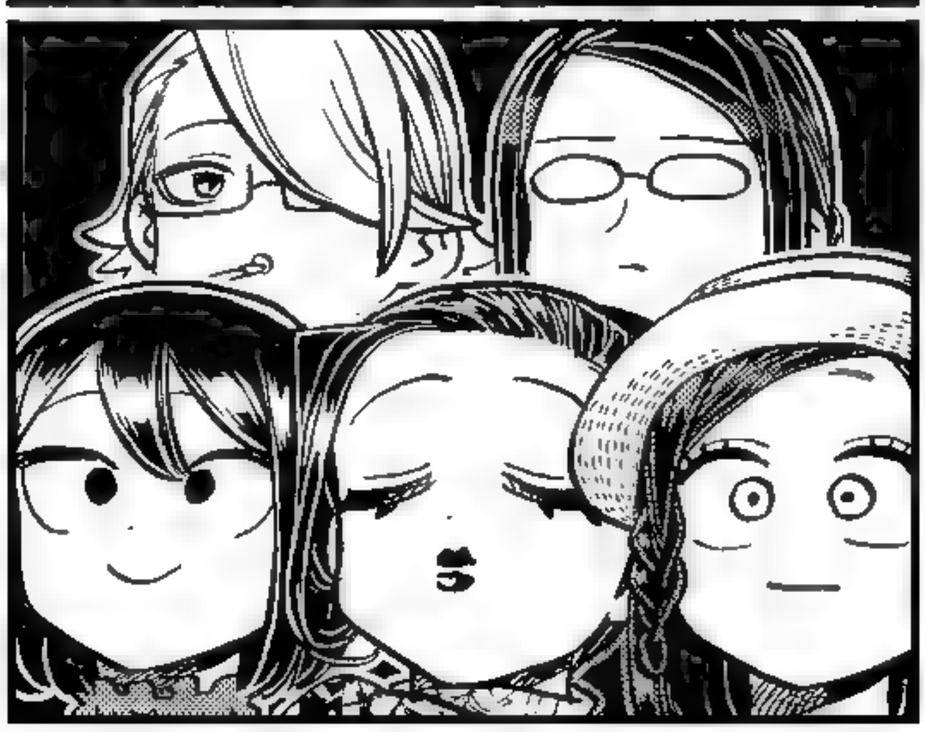

What's wrong with us?!
SOB
SNIFF
Who's that?!


SOB
*It's been three years.
WE BROKE UP
ACTUALLY, I DON'T HAVE ONE EITHER! TWO MONTHS AGO!
SOB

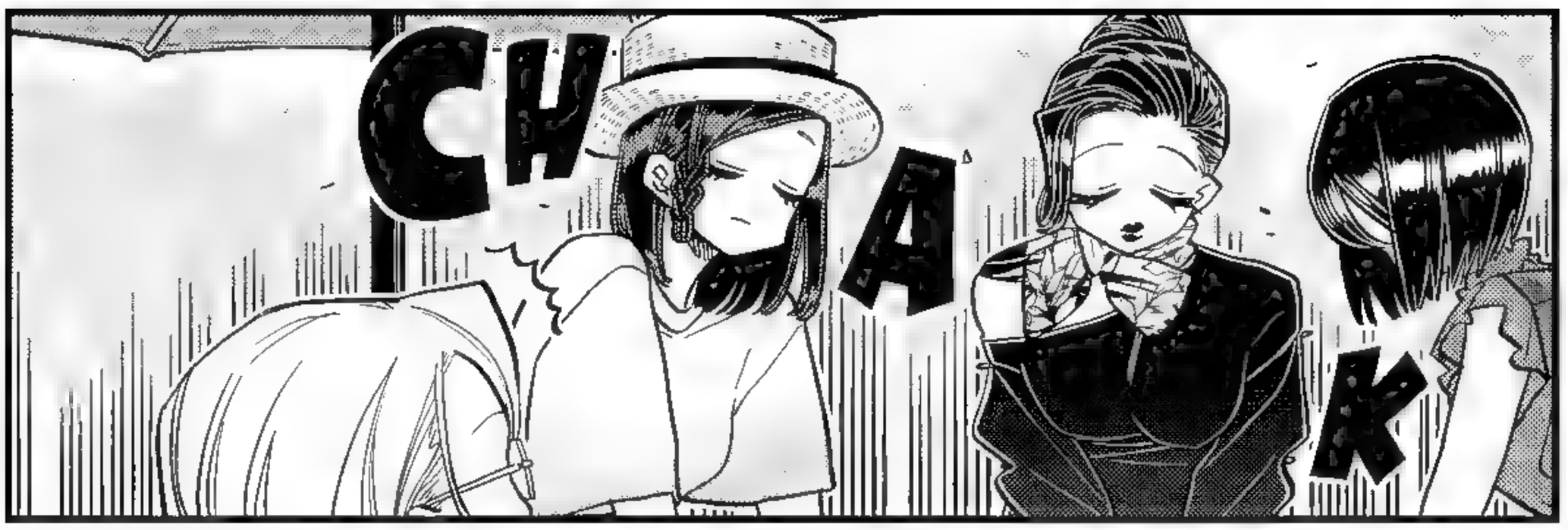


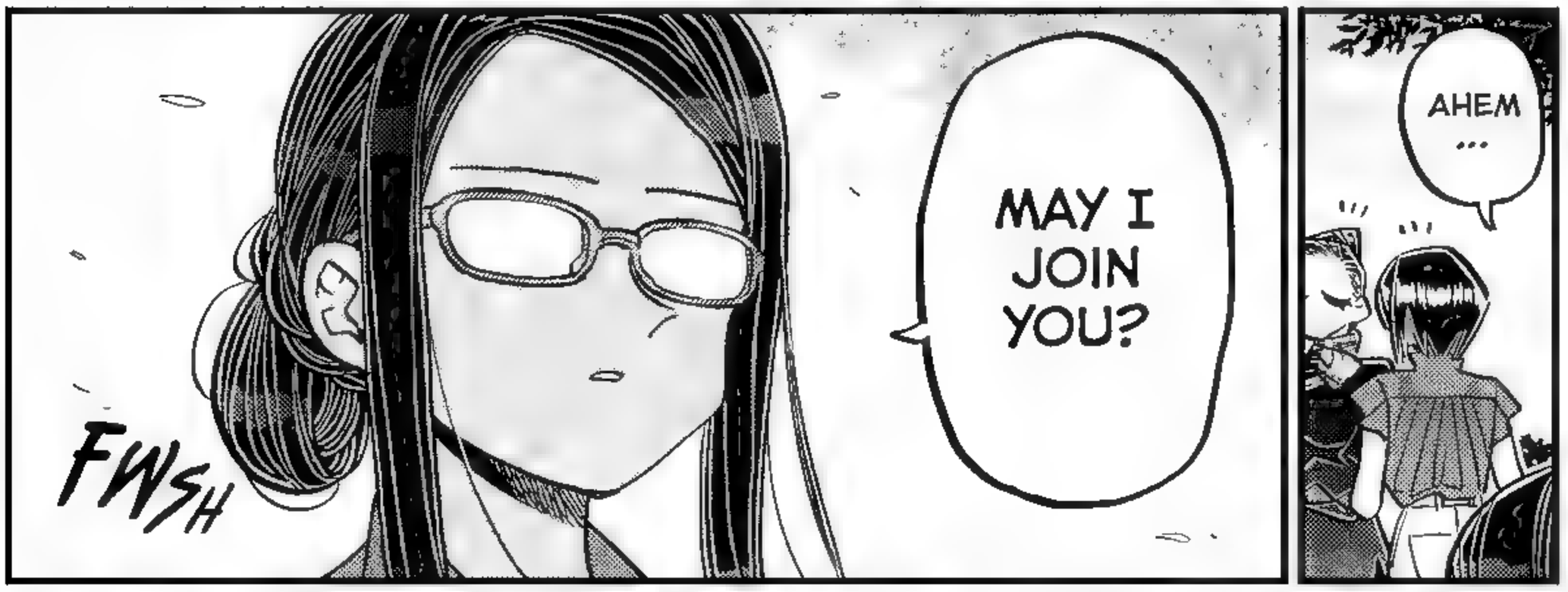

SOB
*There wasn't anyone to dump her.
MINE JUST DUMPED ME!
SOB
SOB

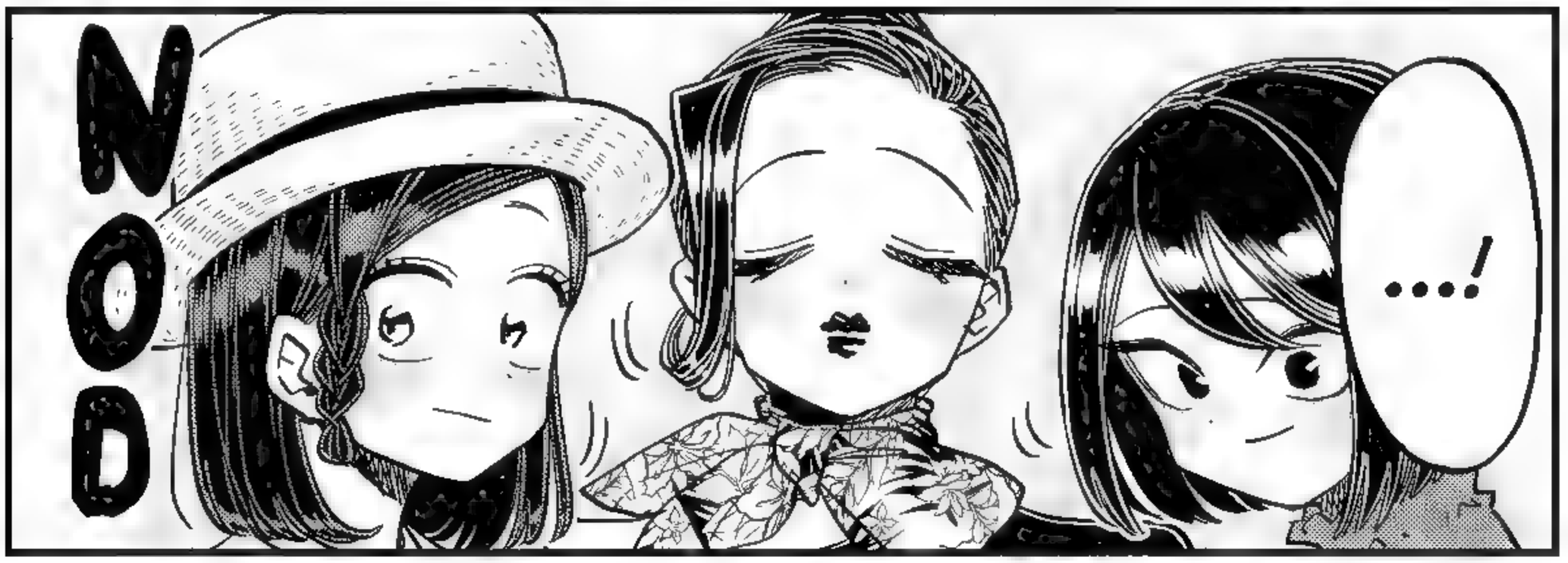
SOB
*In her imagi-nation.
AND IT WAS GOING TO SO WELL!
SOB

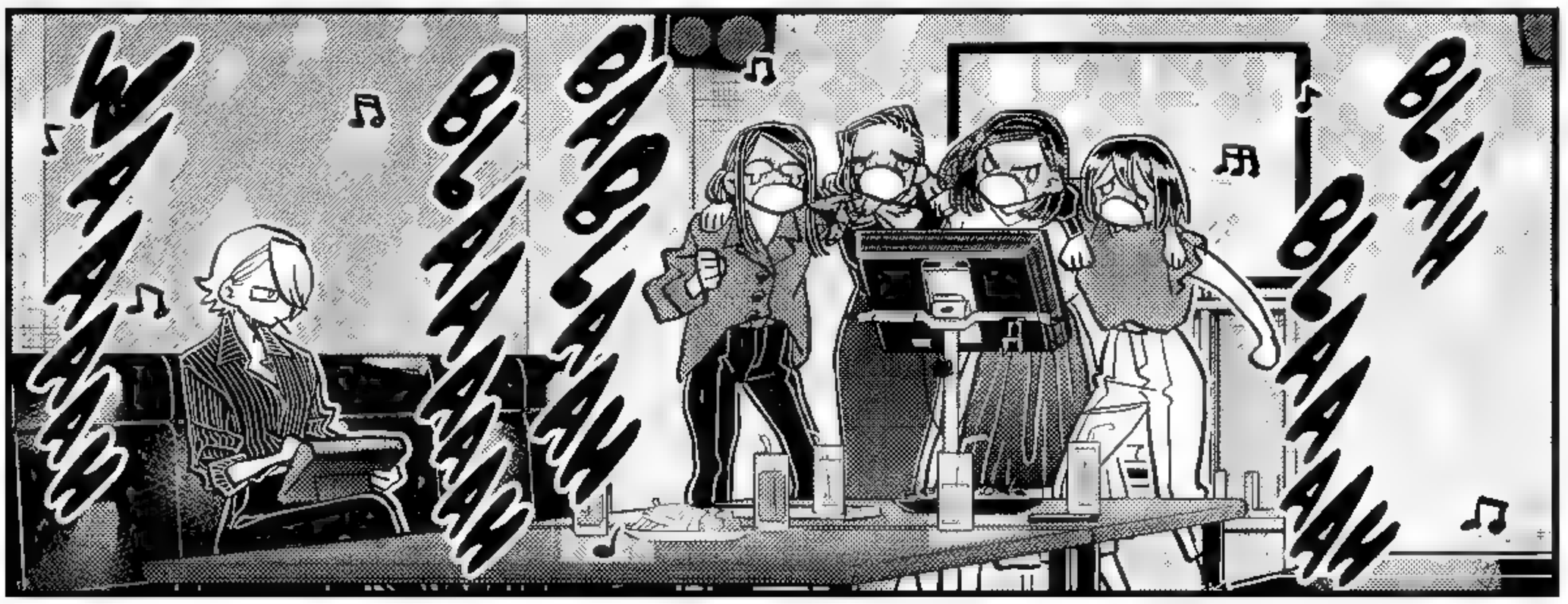


WHO'RE YOU?!
FLIP
I DON'T HAVE A BOY-FRIEND EITHER.
ROMEO AND JULIET MAIN








BLAAA

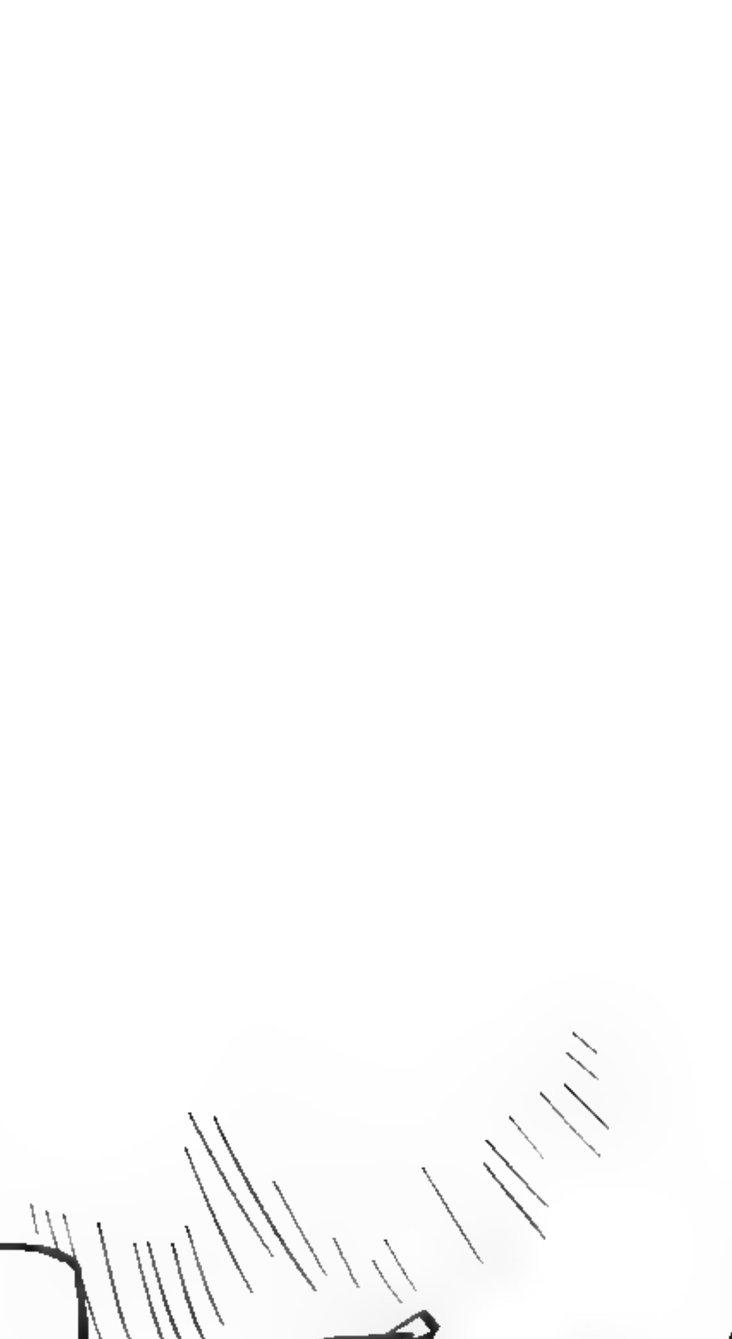
Will u join us?

Read

Sorry, I can't. I'm in Singapore on that thing connecting north and south. To be honest, I miss those days, but I'm going to ignore that for now. What I'm doing will someday lead to something or other for somebody.

Got it.

Read



Nareka Ido (28) is another member of the Young Women's Club. Note: single.

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Komi Can't Communicate

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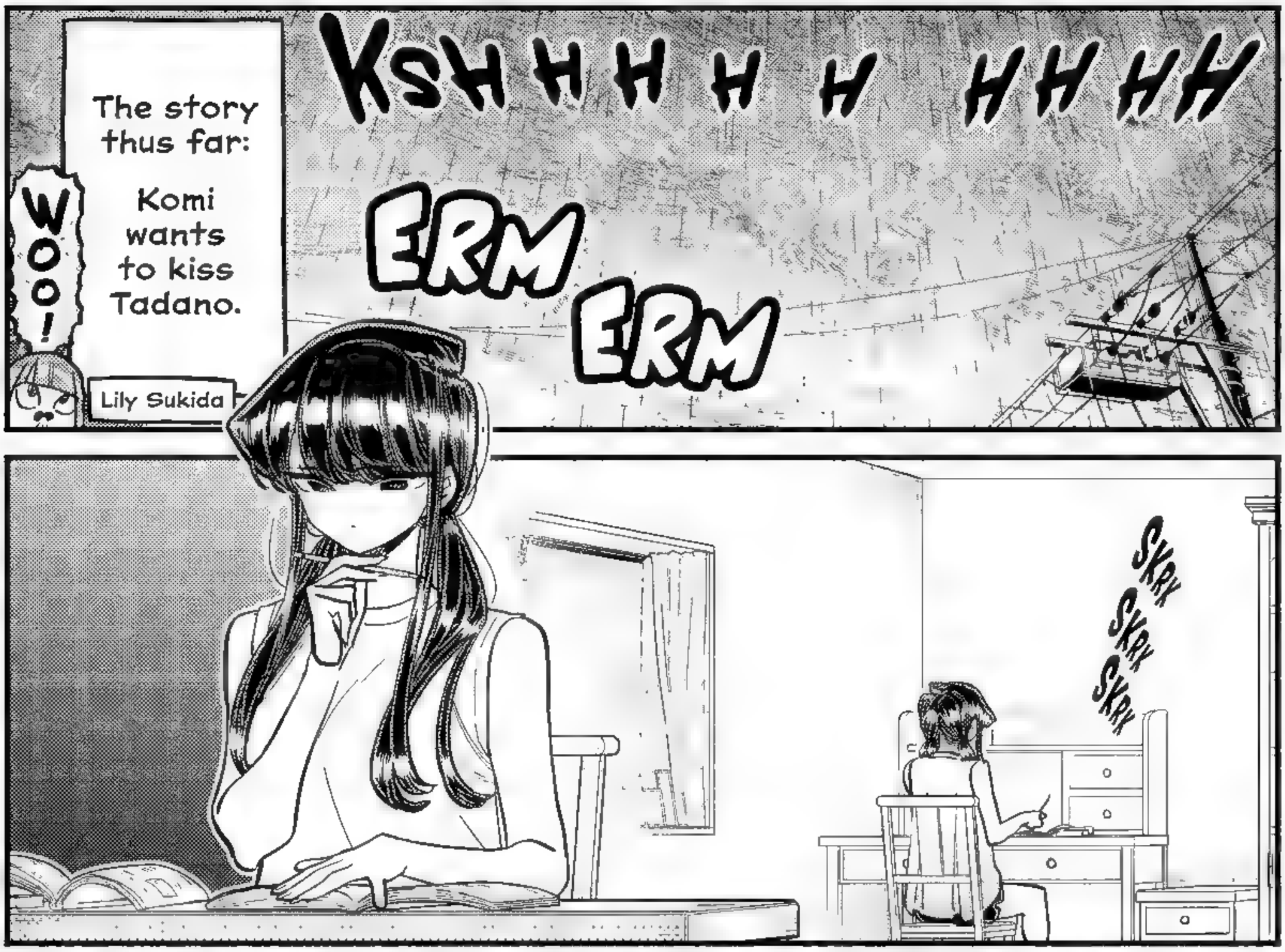


Communication 368: ERM ERM

Can't concen-trate

SHAKE

SHAKE

SHAKE

SHAKE

WAAA

Komi moving from one thing to another
PACE
PACE
PACE
?!
PACE
PACE
PACE
?!
PACE
PACE
?!
PACE
ERM ERM
PIIIIING
KSHHHH H H H
HHH
HHHH H HHH H

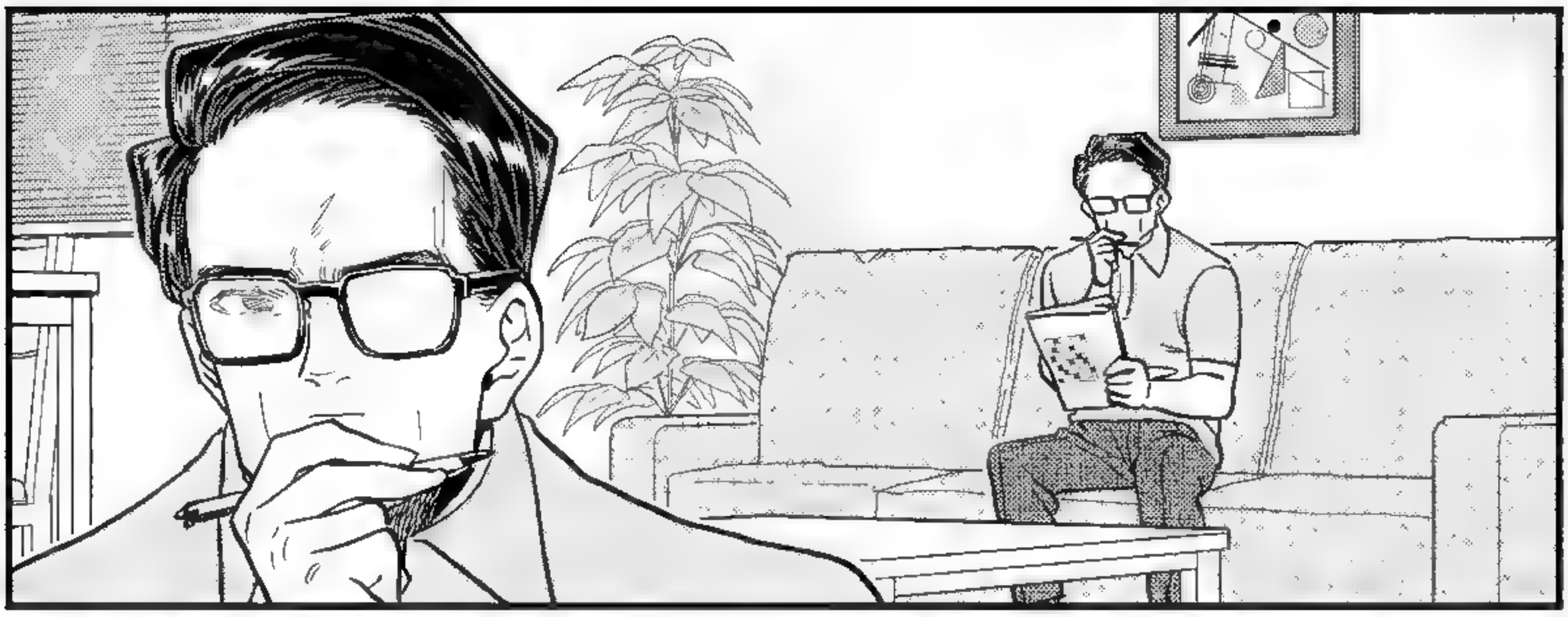
SNIP

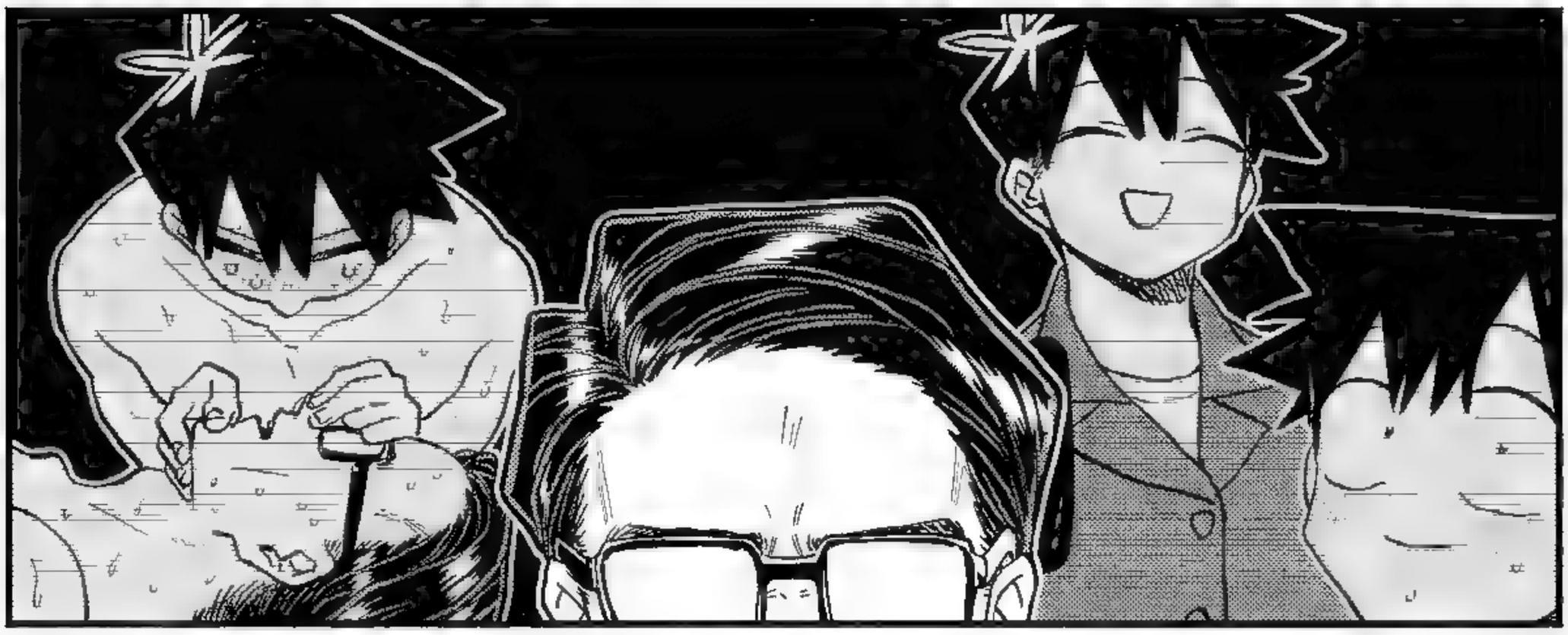
KACHAK

GWUP

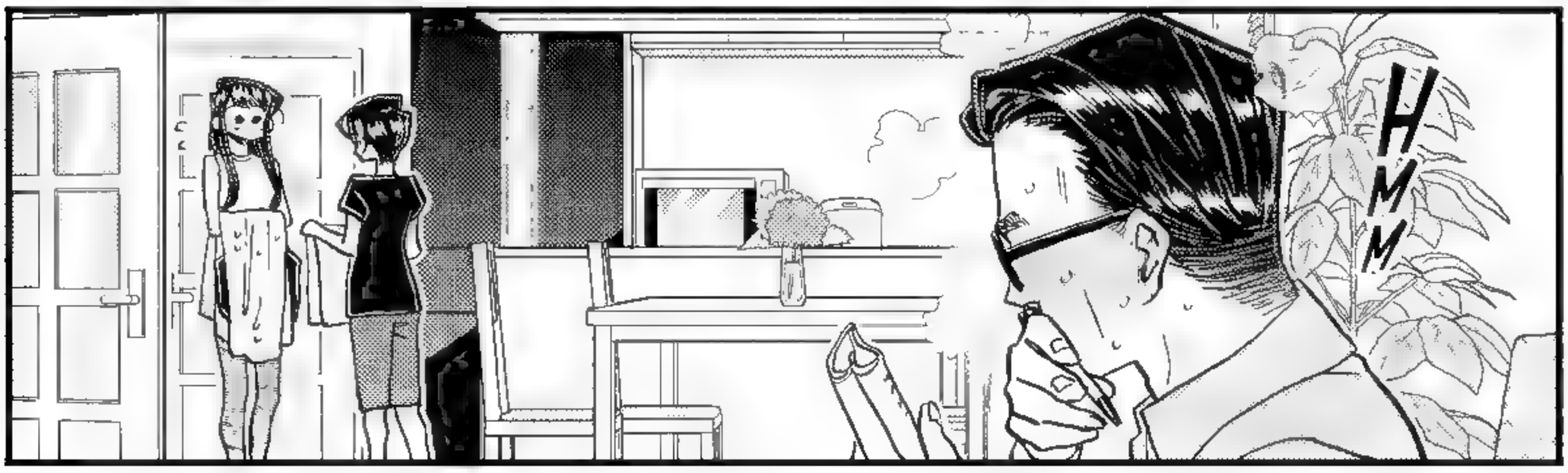
Take care out there!

KSHHH





SHAKE SHAKE
SHAKE
Can't concen-trate
?


HMM

Ground garlic

Pot sticker wrappers (large, 20 pieces)

Ingredients on hand

300 g ground meat

Spring onion

Garlic chives

Half a cabbage

TADAAAAAAAAAAAAH

SHWIP

KRHB, KRHB,

Finely chop cabbage, garlic chives, and spring onion. Sprinkle salt and remove excess moisture.

Softening the ingredients enhances flavor.

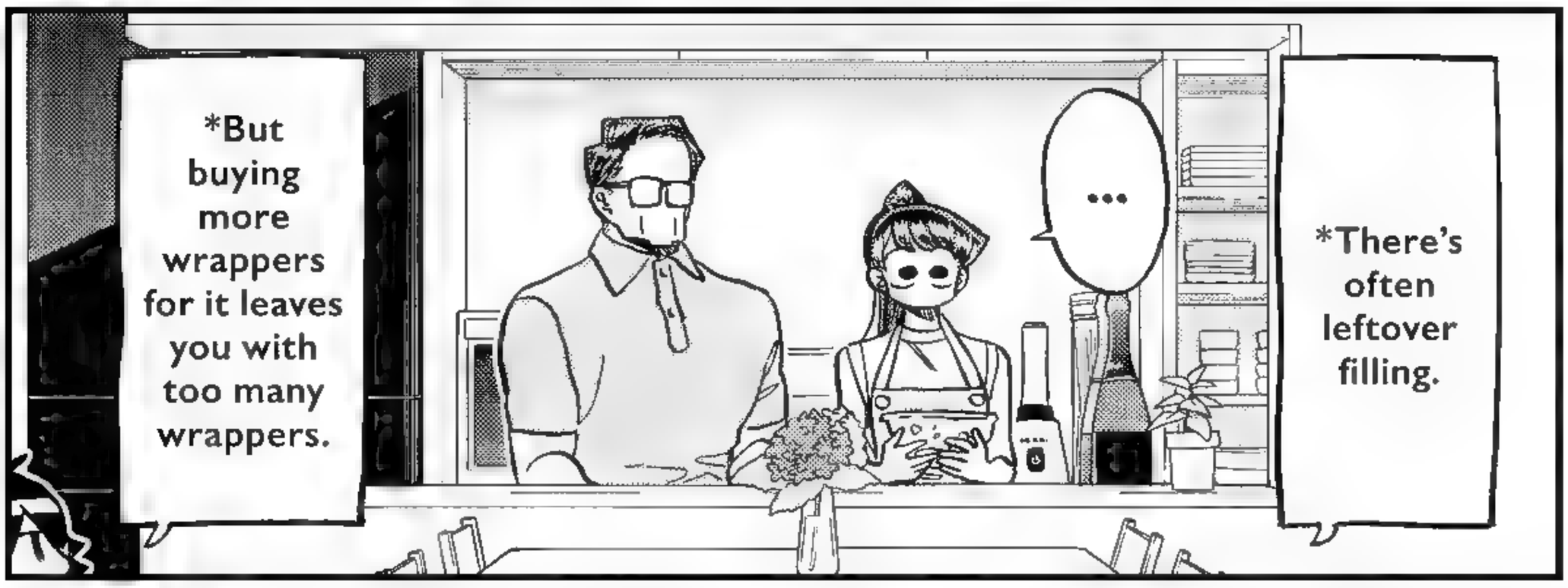
CHOP CHOP CHOP CHOP

Adding starch makes it stickier.
STARCH
Add chicken stock, sake, mirin, soy sauce, sesame oil, ginger, and garlic to the meat and mix.
No big deal.
"Oh well."
She added too much garlic.
SMUSH
SMUSH
Remove moisture and mix in veggies.
MEAT COMPLETE

RAW GINGER
DAB DAB
RUB
SPLISH
SWIK
SWIK
MIRIN
KITTOMAN
SOY SAUCE
COOKING SAKE

JOL
?!
STAARE
PUMP
!
SWIK
SWIK
SWIK

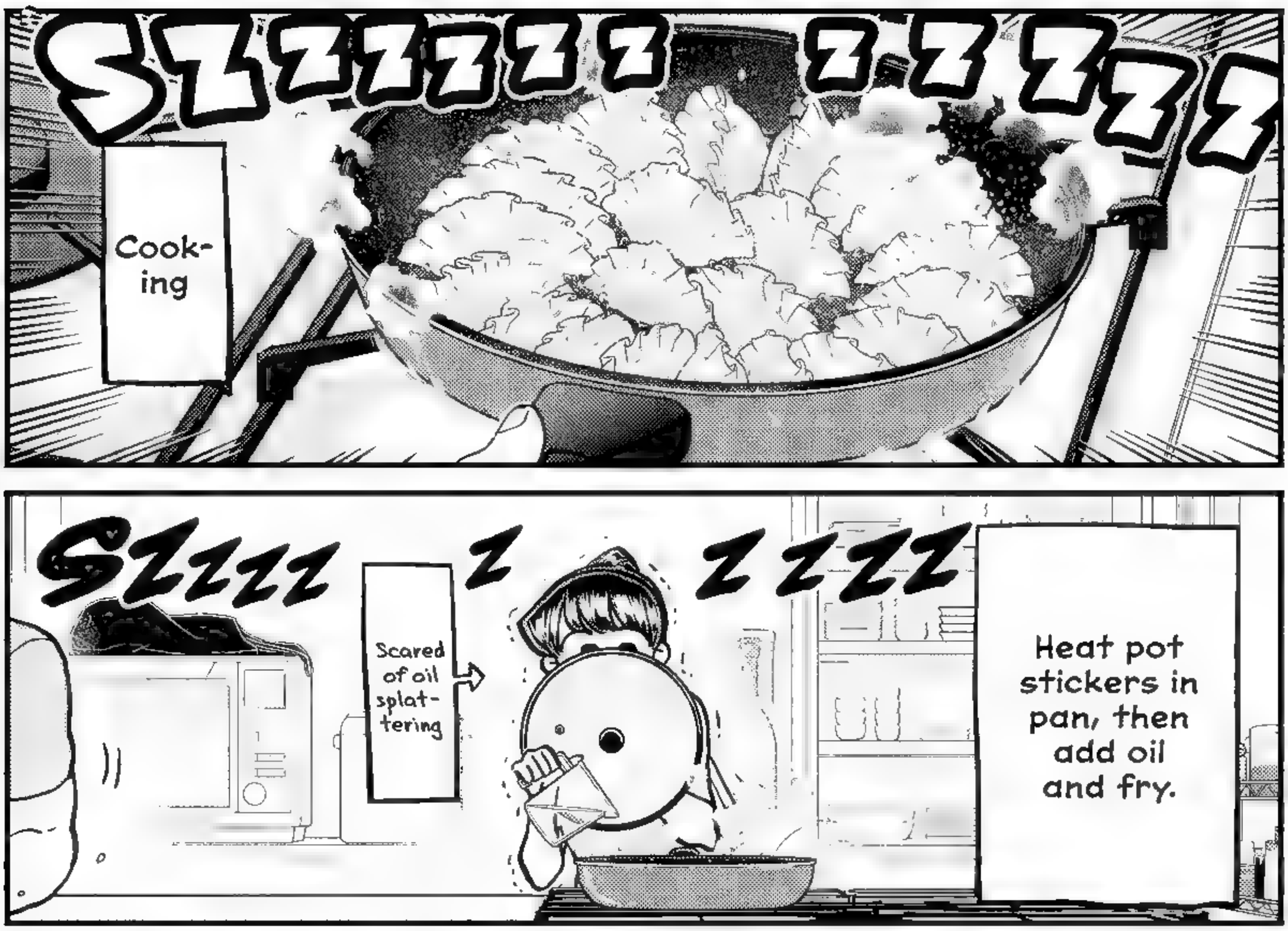
SILENCE
SILENCE
SILENCE
PAT
RUSTL
!

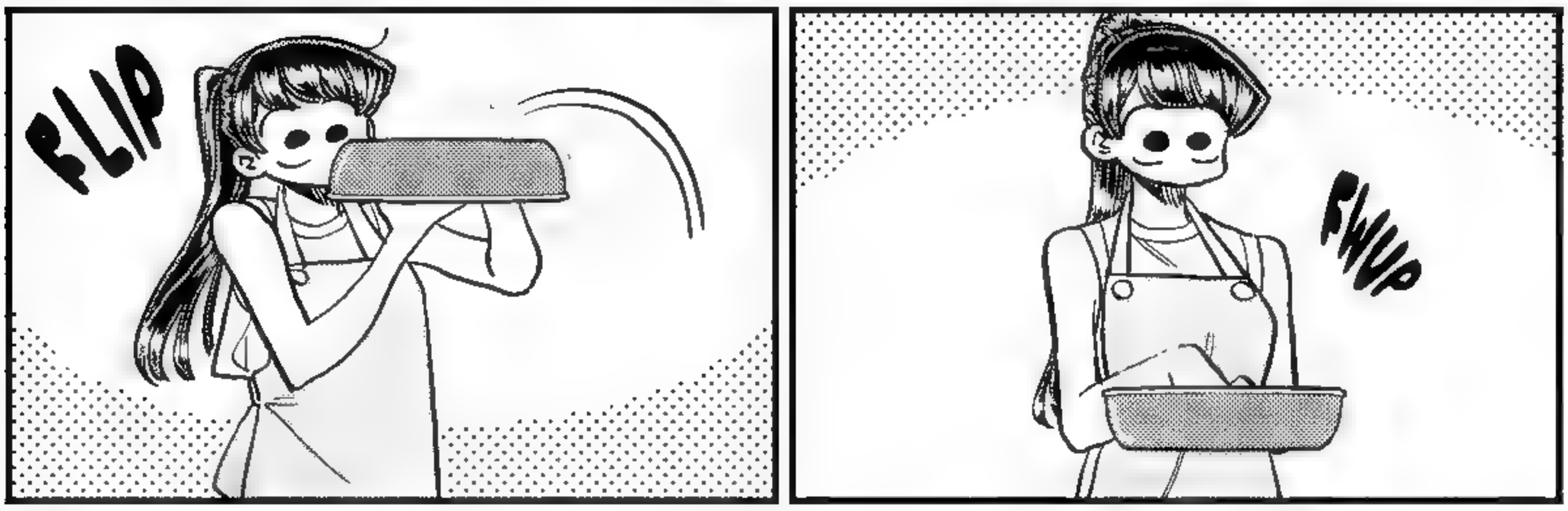

*But buying more wrappers for it leaves you with too many wrappers.
...
*There's often leftover filling.

RUSTL
!
Shall we use it for ham-burger steak?

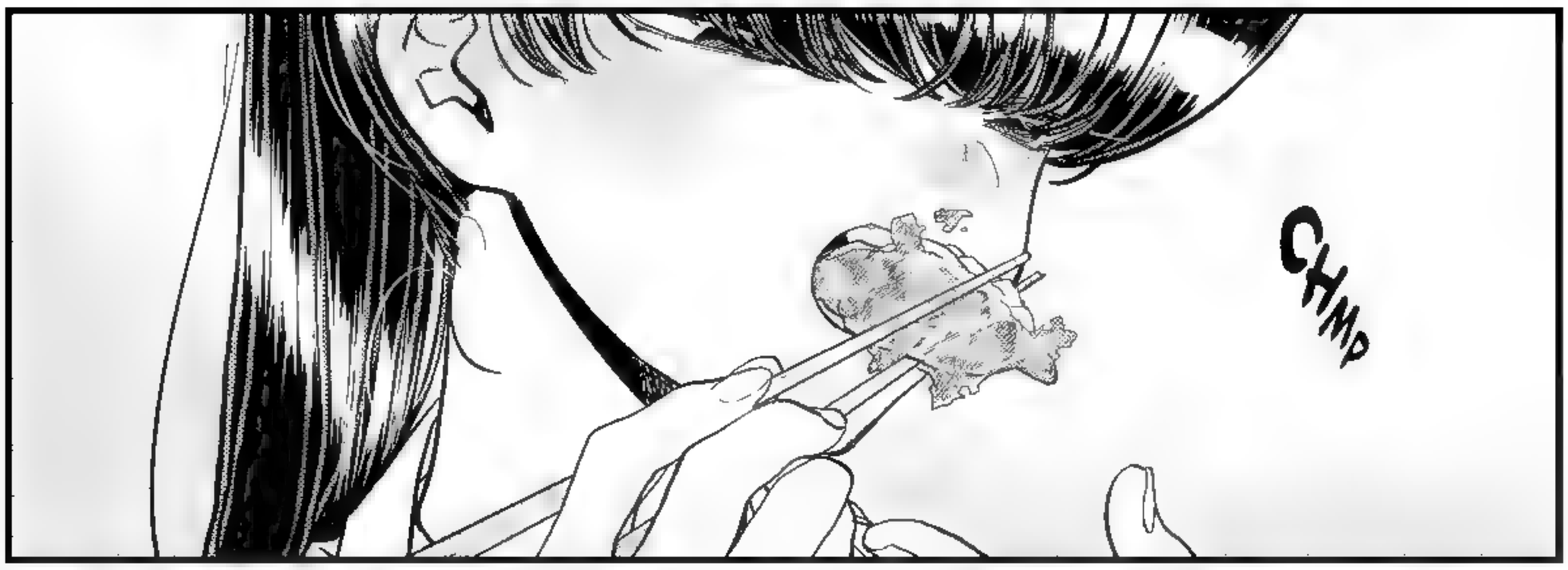
SMUSH
SMUSH
SMUSH
SMUSH
HANDMADE WRAPPERS
!
SILENCE
SILENCE
SILENCE
SILENCE
SILENCE
SILENCE
SILENCE
SILENCE
SILENCE
SILENCE
SILENCE
THEY'RE FOCUSED!

WHEEZE
TADAAAAAAAAAAAAAAH
Made too much
YOU SURE MADE A LOT!
?!
MAYBE TADANO WOULD LIKE SOME!
?!
NOD NOD
HMPH HMPH

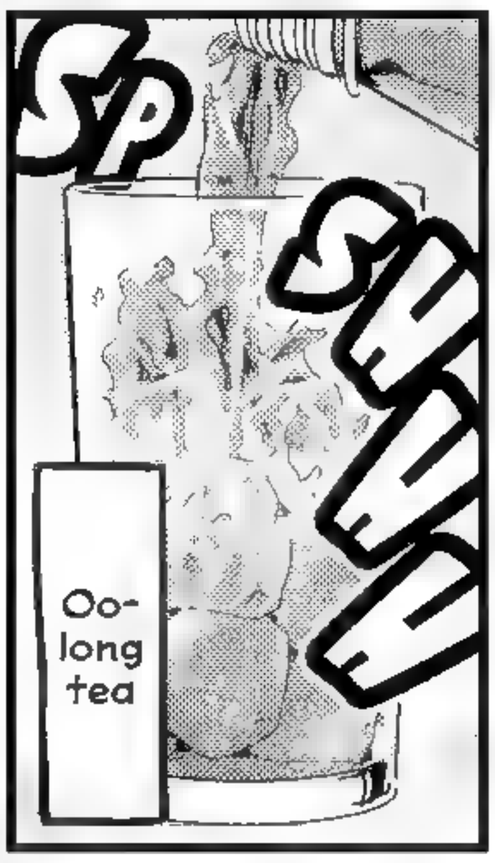

SIZZZZZ Z-Z-Z-Z-Z-Z
Cook-ing
SZZZZ
Scared of oil splat-tering
Z
Z Z Z Z Z
Heat pot stickers in pan, then add oil and fry.


FLIP
FWUP

ALL DONE
POT STICKERS COMPLETE!


CHMP

GULP
GULP
GULP


SLURP
Oo-long tea

VICTORY

DING
DONG

Read vertically!

NOT AT ALL. IT'S ONLY SPRIN-KLING NOW.

THANKS FOR COMING IN THE RAIN.

HELLO!

GULP

...

...

DAD

?!

AH HA HA... YES, MAYBE.

...MUST BRING GOOD WEATH-ER.

YOU, UM...

OH, UM, THANKS.

SWUP

Pot stick-ers

...

"Why the awkward conver-sation?!"

...

"Why so awk-ward?"

...

SHUV
SHUV

!
NOD NOD

THANKS FOR THE POT STICKERS!

TMP TMP TMP

?
GLANCE
GLANCE

GRIP
GRIP

UM, KOMI?

!
GRB

STROKE

Clasping hands is all for today

HMMMMMMPH

Ate garlicky pot stickers so couldn't even kiss within comfort-able bounds

*Like on the hand.

The weather cleared up.

Later that night, the garlic kicked in with a stimulative effect.

ERM

ERM

Communication 368 — The End

3-1
GLANCE
GLANCE
GLANCE
GLANCE
GLANCE
GLANCE
SQUEEEZE
GLANCE
GLANCE
GLANCE

Wants to be Komi's friend
Kyara Nanoda
Class 1
Wants to be Komi's friend
Teruka Kire
Class 1
Wants to be Komi's friend
Koto Kyono
Class 1
Wants to do something sordid with Komi
Ren Yamai
Class 4

GAAA

ASP

OH DEAR... ARE THEY STALK-ERS?!

*None of them suspect them-selves.

Komi Can't Communicate

Communication 369: First Friend × 3

I'M SEEKING A CHANCE TO TALK TO KOMI.

MY NAME IS KYARA NANODA.

THIS IS MY CHANCE!

SHE'S ALL ALONE!

TMP

W-WHAT BEAU-TIFUL WEATHER ...

...F-FOR REAL-SIES!

KSHHHHHHHHHH

?

SWOOSH

KSHHHHHHHHHH

Pour-ing rain

BLUSHHHHHH!

OH NO!! NOW SHE THINKS I'M WEIRD!!

...I STARTED SAYING "FOR REALSIES" ALL THE TIME.

For realsies!♪

IN ORDER TO BE POPULAR IN HIGH SCHOOL...

IN JUNIOR HIGH, I WAS SO NONDESCRIPT THAT HALF MY CLASS FORGOT ABOUT ME.

BUT THEN I REALIZED SOMETHING.

I'M KYARA NANODA! FOR REAL-SIES!

...AND HELPS ME STAND OUT.

IT'S MEMO-RABLE AND FUNNY...

*No surprise there.

TREMMMMMMMBLE

IT'S EMBAR-RASSING TO SAY IT!

BUT THAT'S MADE IT HARD TO MAKE FRIENDS.

I ENGAGE IN CONVER-SATION AS LITTLE AS POSSIBLE ...

...TO AVOID SAYING IT.

TIIIIIIIING

*She won't give up. For realsies!

AND NOW I'M IN YEAR THREE.

...BECAUSE KOMI IS SO COOL.

BUT I WANT TO BE KOMI'S FRIEND ...

I'LL TRY AGAIN!

?!

DOOOOOOM

BUTTERED BREAD ALWAYS FALLS WITH THE BUTTER SIDE DOWN!

F-FOR REALSIES!

?!

J-JUST TALKIN' TO MYSELF! FOR REAL-SIES!

SHOO

...??

...?

?!

?!

OOOOOOWS

?!

IS SHE ANGRY?!

N

PRM

IS SHE BEING SARCASTIC ?!

HOW BRAVE OF YOU TO SPEAK TO HER.

GR

?!

DON'T WORRY! KOMI DOESN'T EVEN NOTICE YOU! ♪

...FRIGHTEN ME!

GWOOOOOOO

TH-THOSE STALK-ERS...

...TO BE KOMI'S FRIEND.

MAYBE I'M NOT GOOD ENOUGH...

...I WOULDN'T NEED TO SAY "FOR REALSIES."

ULP

...OR GOOD AT SOME-THING ...

...OR MORE INTER-ESTING ...

IF I WERE CUTER ...

!

UM...

BUT...

...I STILL ...

...I WANT TO BE.

...FRIEND ...

I'M N-NOT KOMI'S...

...BUT ...

WHO KNOWS HOW THEY'LL REACT!

...

I'M NOT HER FRIEND, SO I HAVE NO RIGHT...

...TO SPEAK ...

...FOR REAL-SIES!

...THIS IS ABOUT KOMI.

HM

PH

BUT...

...GET FRIGHTENED, SO...

K-KOMI MIGHT...

HUH?!

Didn't see them-selves that way

...YOU SHOULD STOP STALK-ING HER!

Scary!!
ooo
WHAT A FACE!!
I just wanna be Komi's friend too.
R-REALLY?
I TOO WANT TO BE HER FRIEND.
8!
AND I'M HERE TO RUB OUT INTER-LOPERS LIKE YOU!

KSHHHHHHHHHH
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
STAARE
YOU TALK FUNNY.
!
WHAT'RE YOU LOOKING AT?
D-DID WE LOSE HER?

I TALK LIKE THIS TO BE UNIQUE.
...
FOR REALSIES!
S-STOP?
I DO IT TO MAKE FRIENDS, BUT IT DOESN'T WORK.
ISN'T THAT THE OBVIOUS SOLU-TION?
THEN STOP.
BLUNT
...

...SO I CAN'T MAKE FRIENDS.

I SQUINT BECAUSE MY EYESIGHT IS BAD...

...BUT PEOPLE THINK I'M SCOWLING ...

THEN GET GLASSES OR CONTACTS!

Obvious, isn't it?

GLASSES SEEM STUFFY AND CONTACTS ARE SCARY.

ANYWAY, LIKE YOU CAN TALK!

PRIM

IS SHE BEING SARCASTIC ?!

YOU WORRY ABOUT APPEAR-ANCES, HUH?

...

SHE REALLY DOESN'T KNOW?!

WHY IS THAT?

WHEN-EVER I SPEAK, PEOPLE TENSE UP.

...!

I'M JUST TALKING THE WAY I TALK!

FOR REAL-SIES.

OH, I GET IT.

?!

WANNA GO GET SOMETHING TO EAT?

S-SORRY! YOU DON'T HAVE TO!

FRIENDS TALK IN RESTAU-RANTS, RIGHT?!

WE CAN BRAINSTORM WAYS TO APPROACH KOMI!

GACK FOR REALSIES

WE'LL GO.

!

WELL, WHEN SHE TANGLED WITH SHIINA...

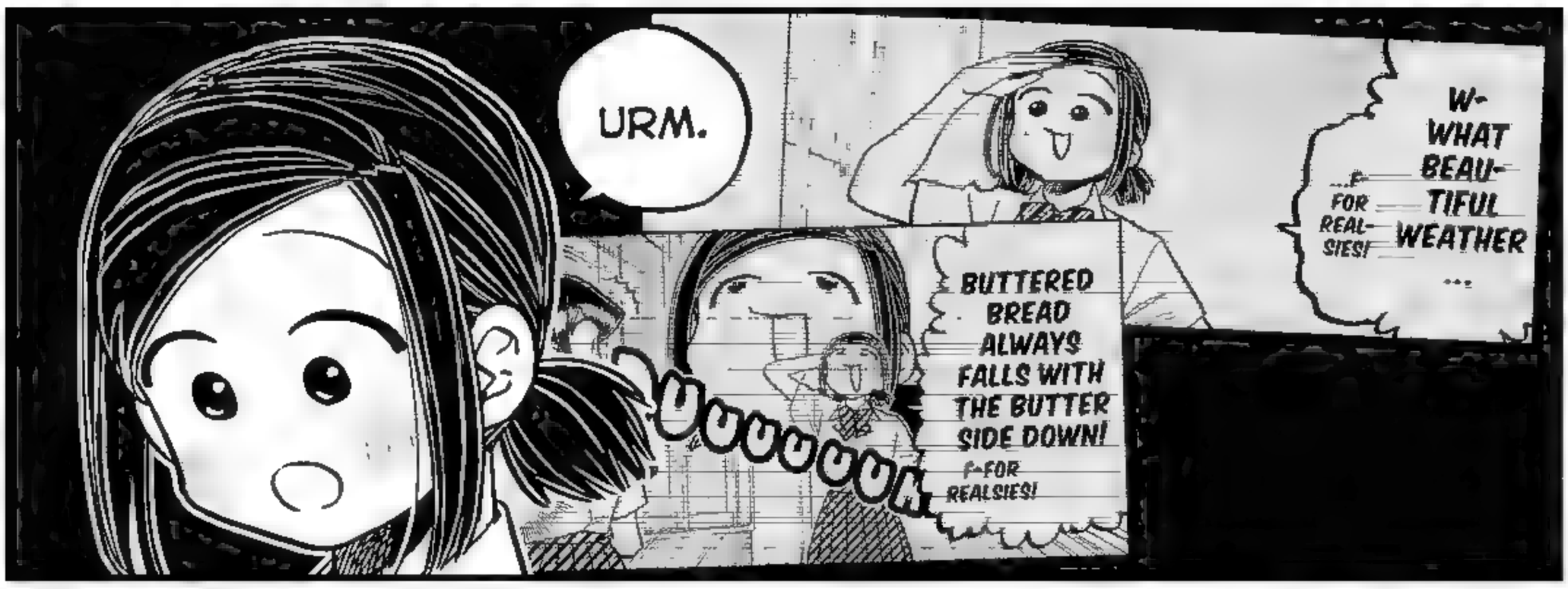
WHY DO YOU WANT TO BE KOMI'S FRIEND?

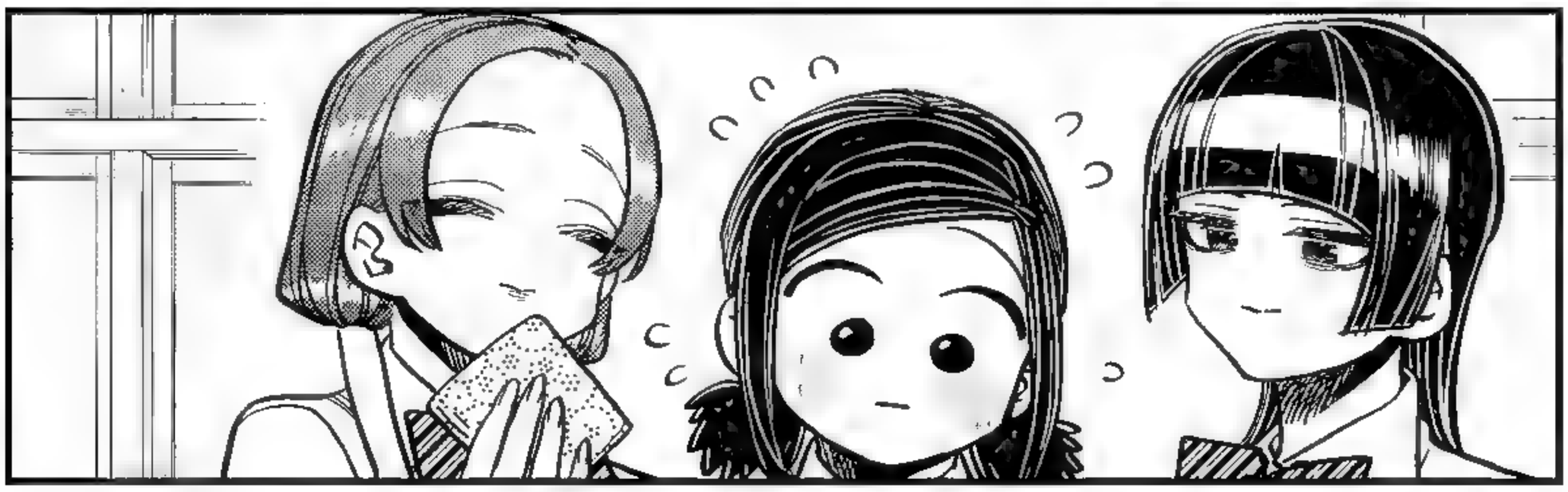
WHHHHHHHHH

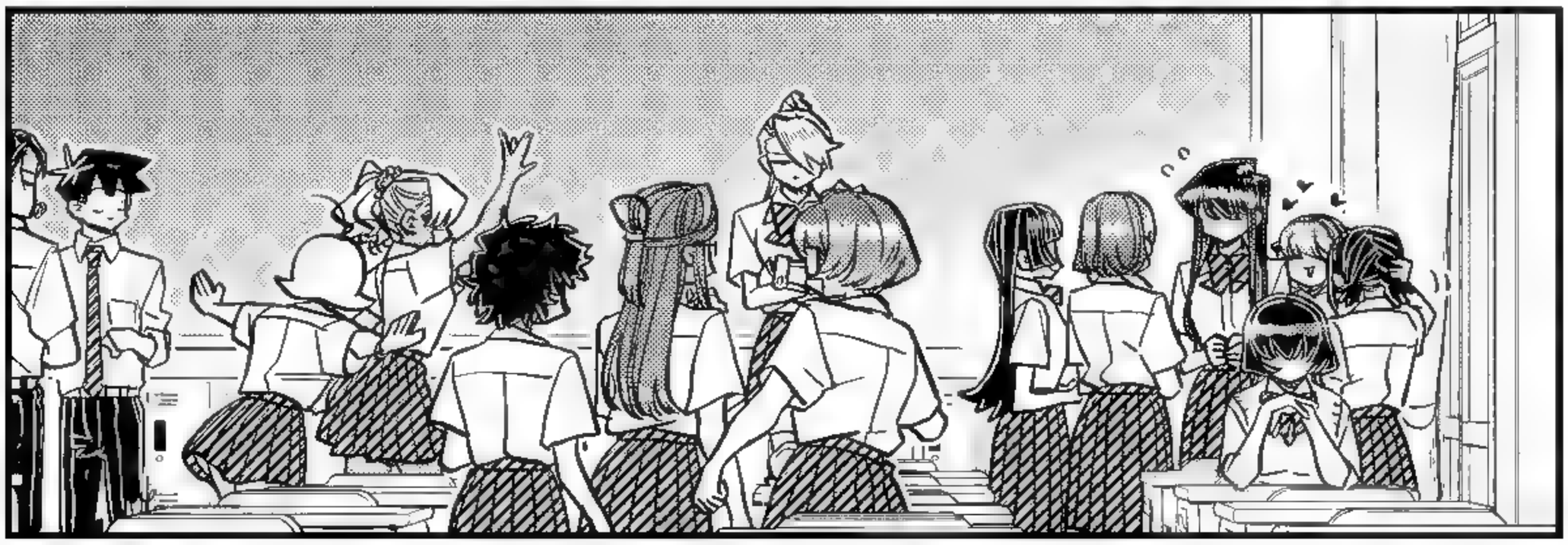
THAT WAS SOooo ... ELE-GANT! FOR REAL-SIES!

My thought exactly!

UM...
...KOMI?
A later date
DUUUUUM
*She's stuck on the weather.
S-SURE IS HUMID TODAY. FOR REALSIES!
IT HAPPENED TO ME THIS MORNING.
??
YOU WERE RIGHT ABOUT BUTTERED BREAD.
...I LIKE THE RAIN.
?
ACTUALLY ...



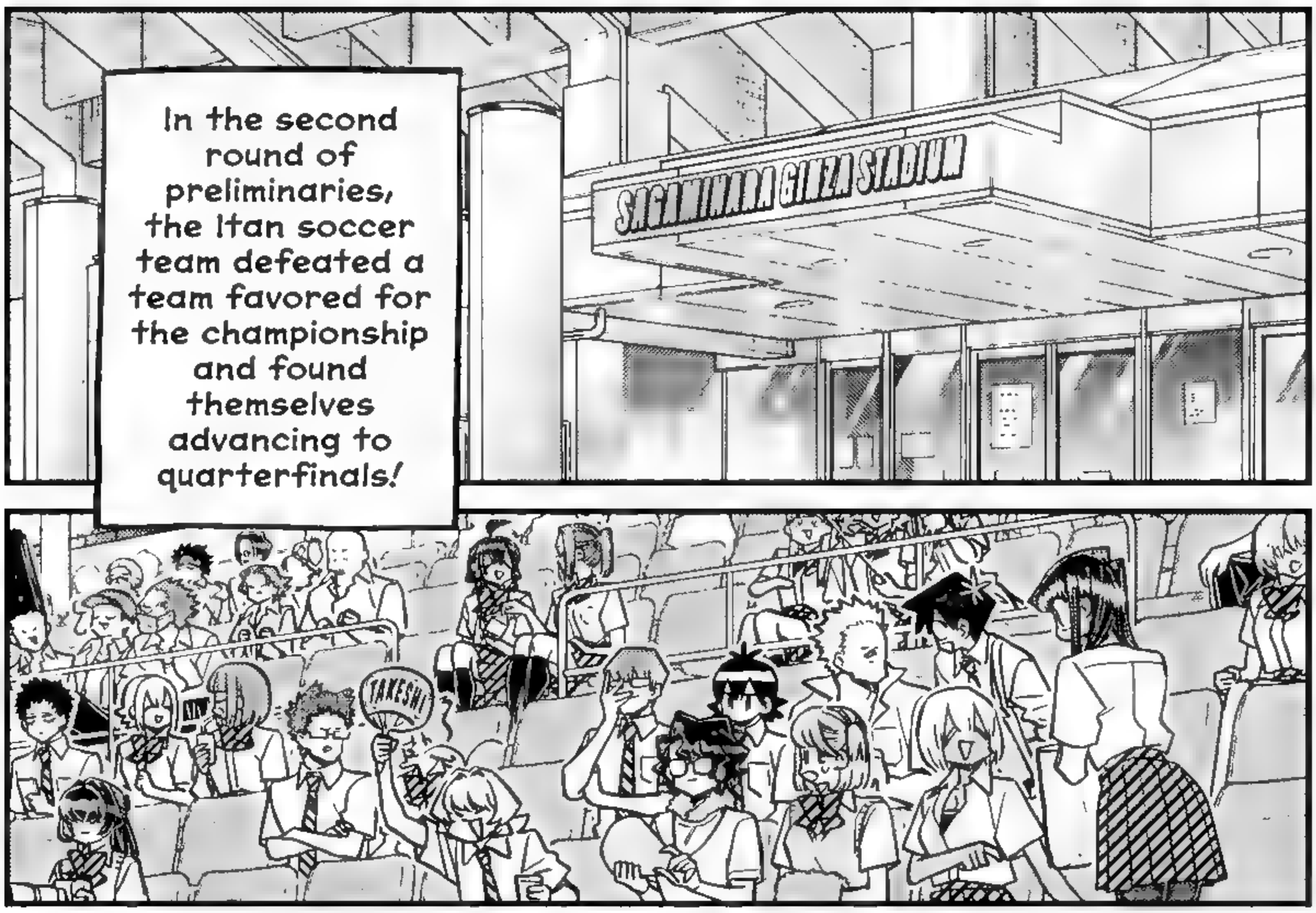




Communication 369 — The End

WHAT A PROBLEM! WHEN I WAS YOUNG, WOMEN WERE OSU (METAPHOR) AND OSU (METAPHOR). OSU, OSU, OSU! (HA HA HA!)
BWABWABWABWA
STAARE
BWA
BWABWABWABWA
OSU! (THE STORY SO FAR!) MAKOTO'S FRIEND WAKAI DOMINATES IN SOCCER!
HE'S AN OSU (SPIRITED) KID, BUT HIS BANGS ARE LONG AND HE CAN'T TALK TO GIRLS!
Misao Katai
Ken Katai

Communication 370: Cheering, Part 2


In the second round of preliminaries, the Itan soccer team defeated a team favored for the championship and found themselves advancing to quarterfinals!
SAGAMIHARA GIRLS STADIUM
TAKESHI

WE'RE SCHOOL HEROES ...
I CAN'T BELIEVE IT...
WE BEAT SAKAUMA HIGH...

WHAT IF WE WIN IT ALL?!!
WURRAAAAH
Take it easy guys!
WE'RE GOING TO NATION-ALS!!

Kusoza
3-1
Itan

Then they lost.

BLLLUBBB BBER

...

*They were supposed to be weak.

DEYBER-POZEDDA-BEFEEK!!!

...

HEEEY

HEY HEY

SO WE DID *AWE-SOME.*

UNTIL WE JOINED, THE TEAM DIDN'T HAVE MUCH OF A RECORD.

WE MADE EIGHTH IN THE PREFEC-TURE.

WAKAII-!!!!!!!!

GR

IN

...YOUR HARD WORK.

THANK YOU FOR ALL...

What a speech!

...to play by your side!

I was hon-ored..!

!

PAT

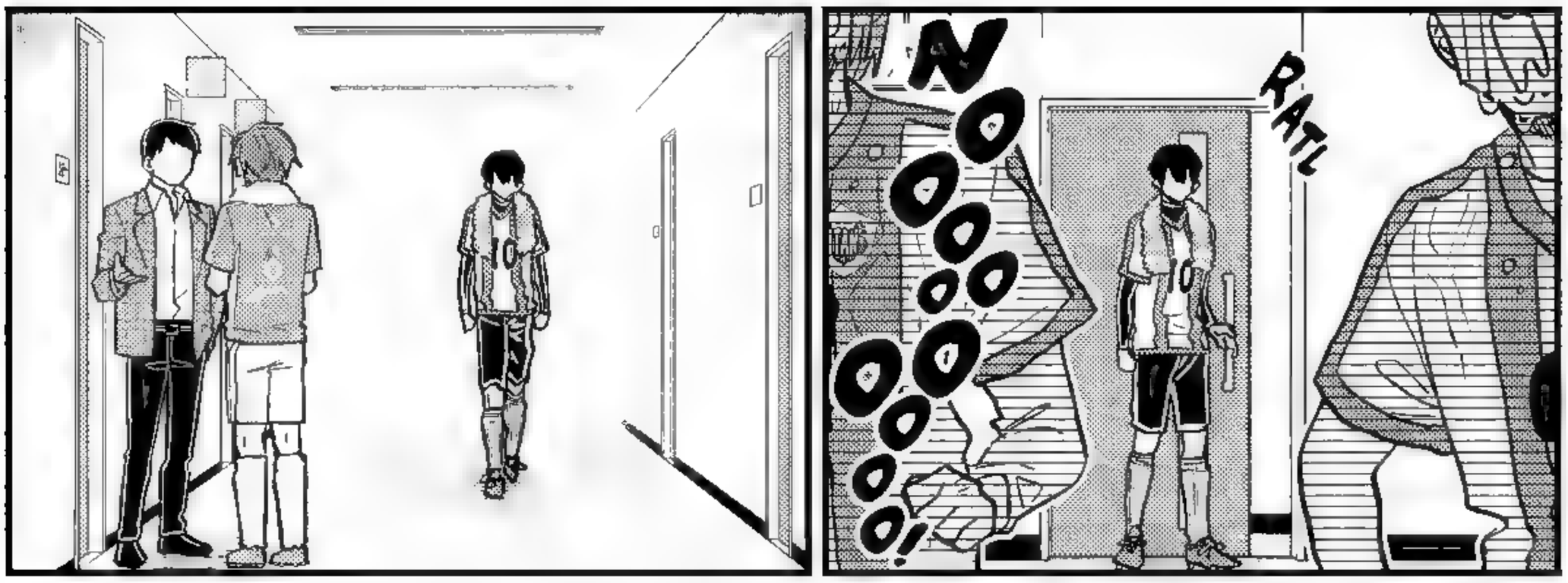
NOOOOOOOOO!!!

THEN WE STUDY FOR EXAMS!!!

TAN

YEAAAAAAH!!!

COACH IS BUYIN' YAKI-NIKU!!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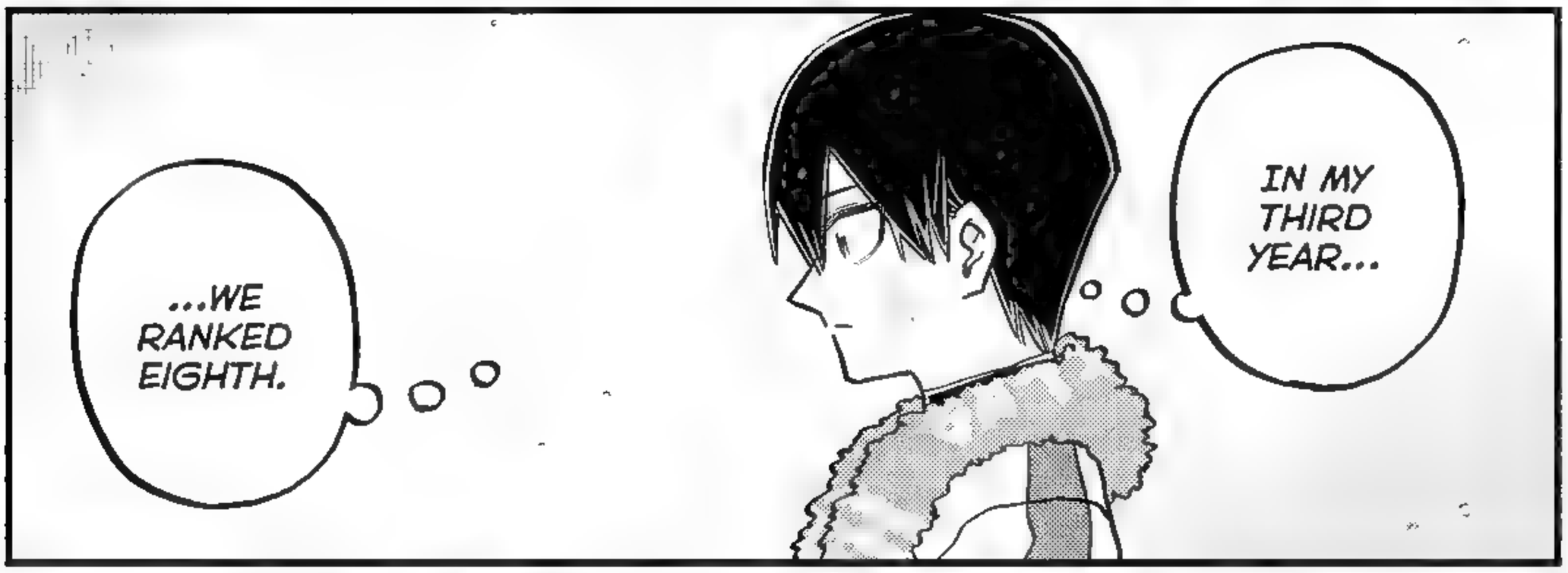
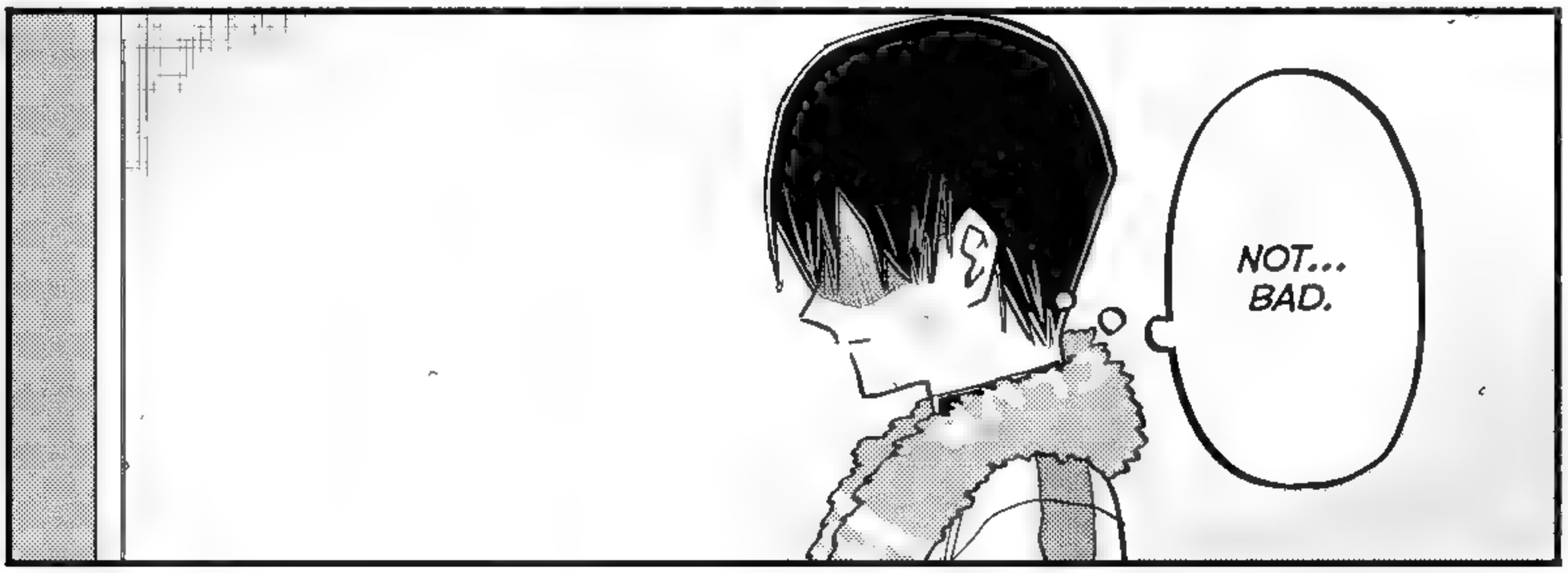

...WE RANKED EIGHTH.
IN MY THIRD YEAR...

...NOT BAD.
THAT'S...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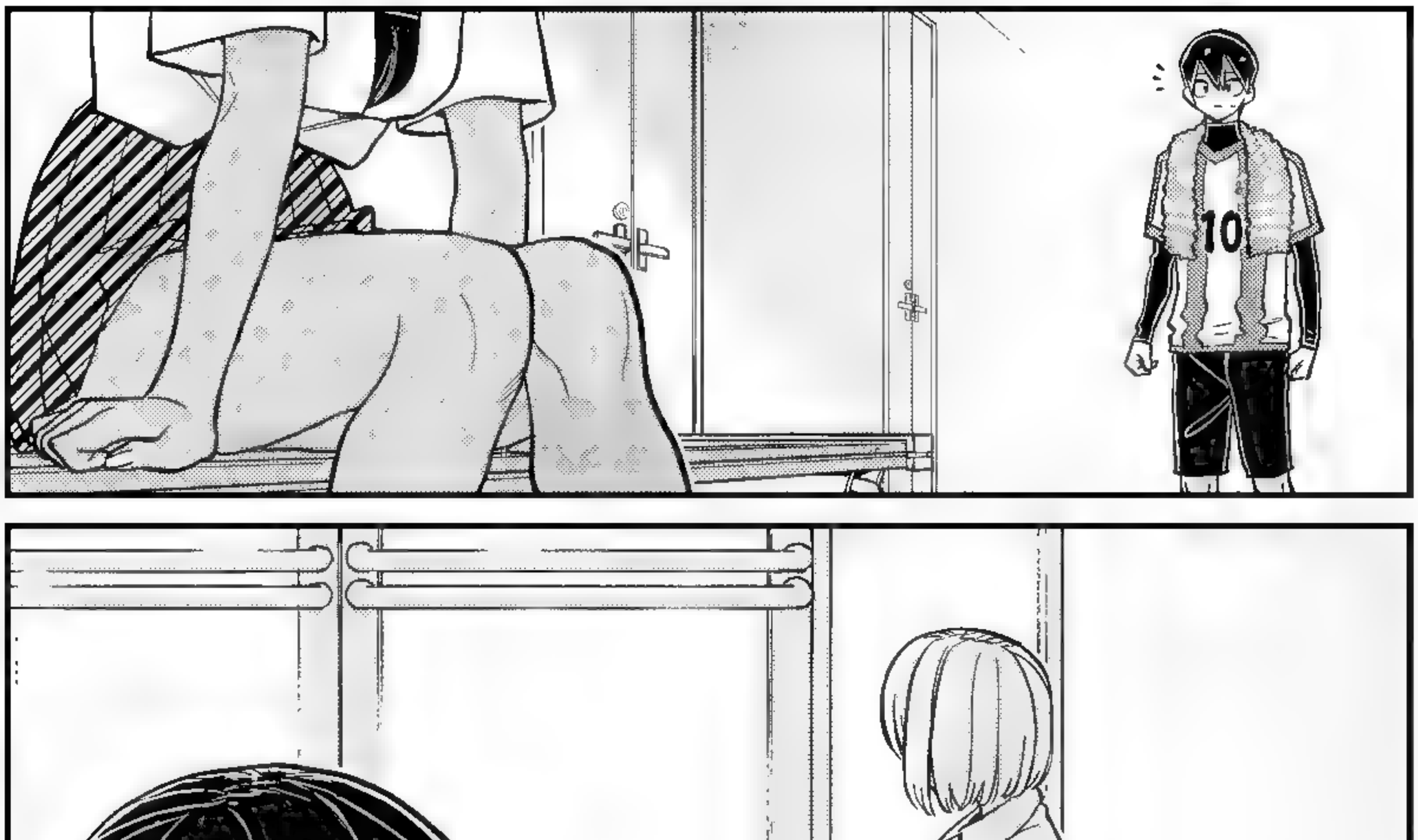
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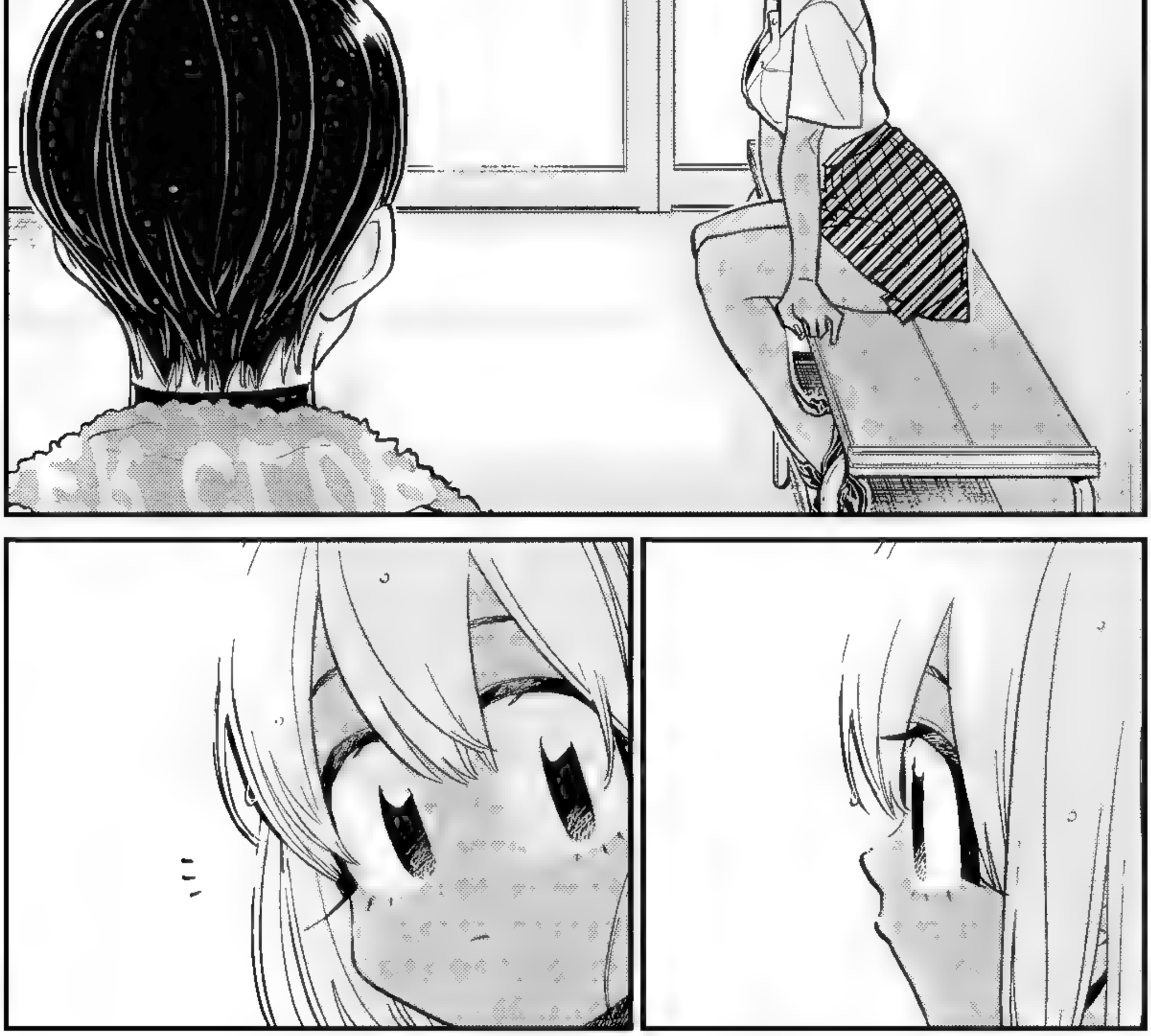


GRUNT...

WHAS-SUP?

...

...

...ERM ...

...UM ...

UH...

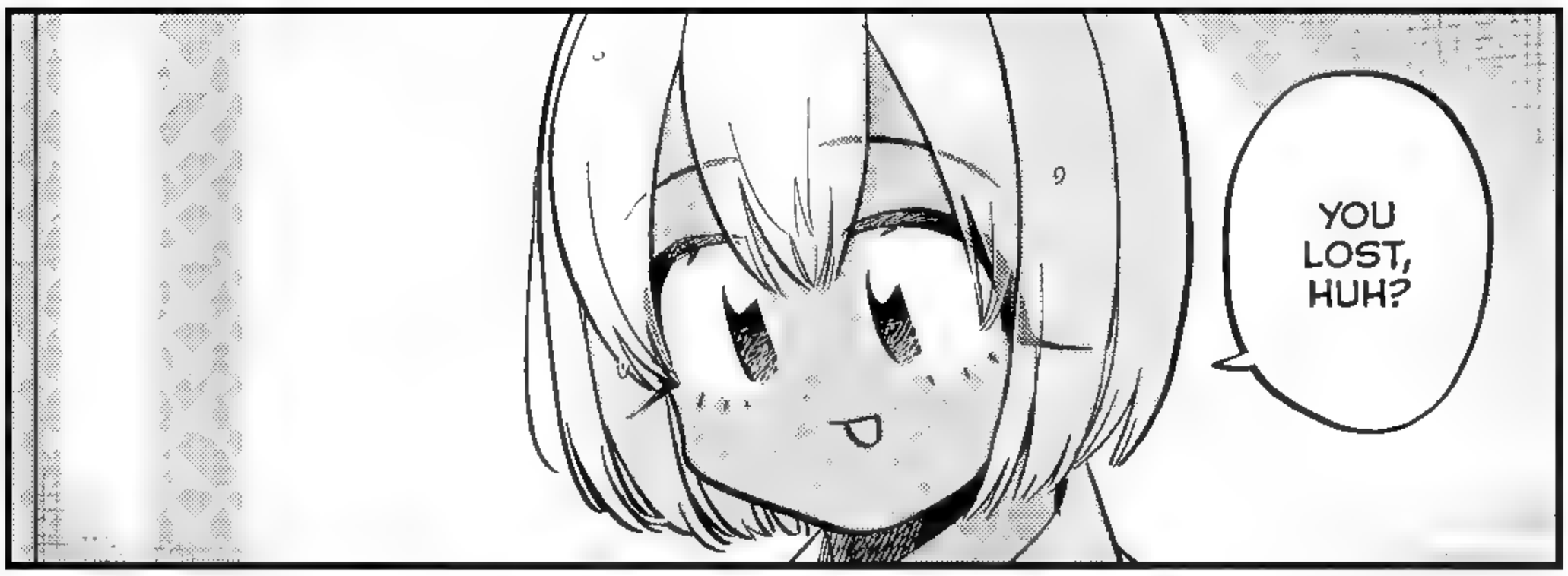
IT'S TOTALLY COOL.

UM, HAVE A SEAT!

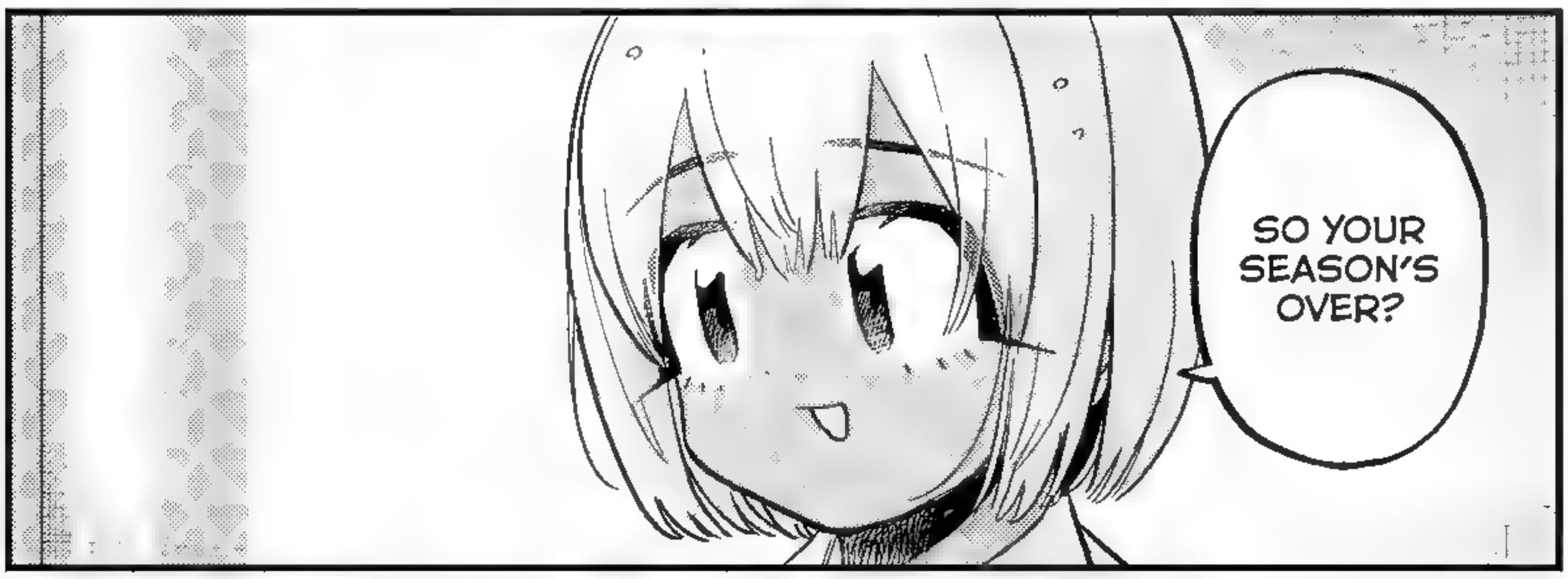
DON'T HOLD BACK.

He sat down.

GRUNT ...


YOU LOST, HUH?

YEAH.


SO YOUR SEASON'S OVER?

YEAH.

...FOR ENTRANCE EXAMS.

...BECAUSE WE NEED TO STUDY...

THERE ARE MORE TOURNAMENTS, BUT WE HAVE TO STOP...

YEAH.

THAT'S TOO BAD.

?

HRRR...

...NNGH!

I JUST TALKED TO HER NORMALLY.

RIGHT NOW, IT DOESN'T MATTER THAT SHE'S A GIRL.

?!

SNORT SNORT

HUFF HUFF

???

I WAS HOLDING BACK MY TEARS!

OOPS! SORRY ABOUT THAT!

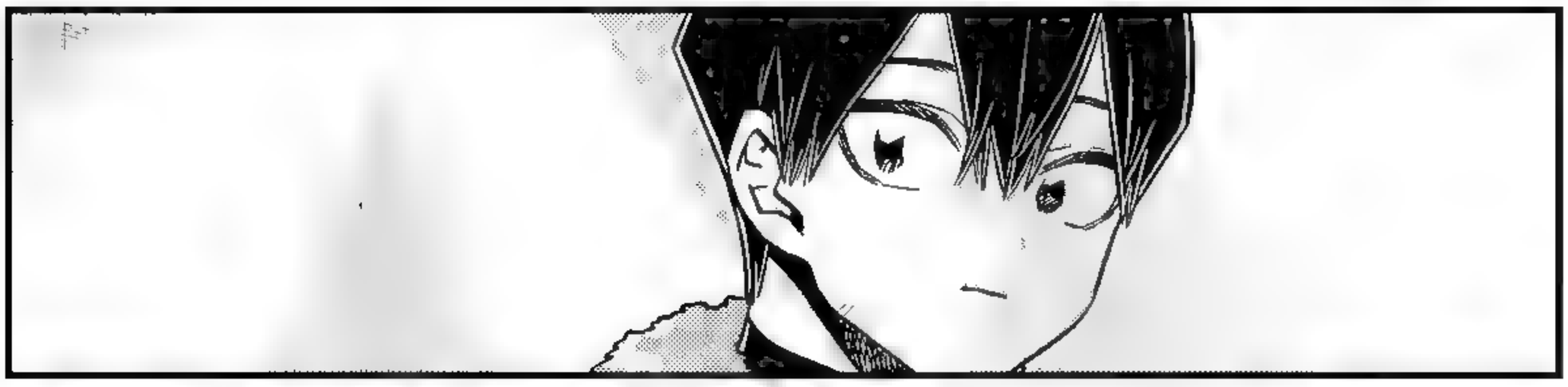
TAKEN ABACK

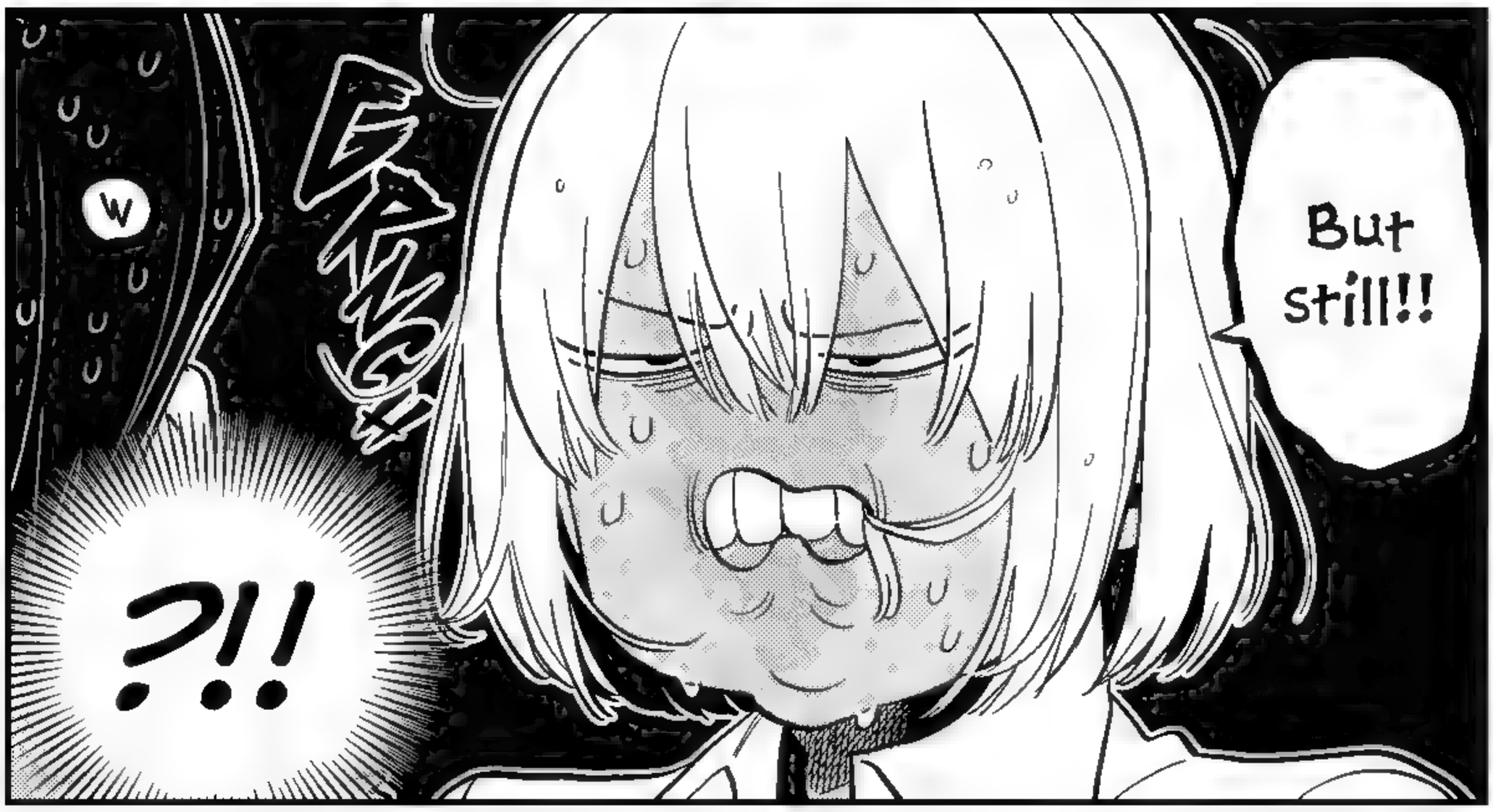
W-WHAT'S WRONG?

SO WHY CRY, RIGHT?

I'M JUST A GIRL WHO SUDDENLY TOOK AN INTEREST!

I BET YOU GUYS WANNA CRY TOO!





"WOW! THE OTHER TEAM'S STRONG, RIGHT?!"

"I'LL CHEER NEXT TIME TOO!"

I AM 10

"YOU GOTTA CRUSH 'EM!!"

YOU GOTTA CRUSH 'EM!!

GUSHII

"I CAN'T STAND IT!!"

STOMP

I CAN'T STAND IT!!

PANIC

?!
?!?!

I wanted to see you play more!

CRNCH

!

WHSH

BWA HA...

YES, YOU ARE!

...!

OOPS, SORRY! I'M NOT LAUGHING ...

HUH? ARE YOU LAUGH-ING?!

I WANTED ...

...TO PLAY MORE TOO.

!

I ALWAYS LOVED SOCCER...

...BECAUSE MY MOM LOVED WATCHING ME PLAY.

BUT SHE'S GONE NOW.

!

HUH?

OH...

BUT THAT WAS A WHILE AGO!

SORRY!

SO DON'T WORRY!

N-NO, UM...

ACTUALLY, WHAT I LIKED MORE THAN PLAYING SOCCER...

...WAS HEARING HER PRAISE.

...I WISH I COULD...

SO...

...PLAY MORE FOR YOU.

SRSLY?!

SRSLY?!

CHAK

THIS COULD BE OUR LAST CHANCE!

...IN THE NEXT TOURNA-MENT!

...I'LL ASK COACH ABOUT PLAYING ...

...COME CHEER AGAIN.
SO...
?
...
...
UH, YEAH! GOOD LUCK!
WHSH
S-SEE YA!

...IS REALLY NICE.

KATAI'S GIRL-FRIEND ...

I WISH THE BEST FOR HER AND KATAI!

MEETING ROOM

AND SHE'S TAKEN!

I'M NO GOOD AT GIRLS!

BUT IT'S NOT LIKE I LIKE HER!!

...EVEN THOUGH SHE CAME TO CHEER US ON.

HOW AWFUL OF ME...

I FORGOT IT.

I DON'T EVEN KNOW HER NAME.

I'LL ASK HER NEXT TIME WE MEET.

TAN 10

!

WE'RE GONNA PLAY IN THE NEXT TOURNA-MENT!

A later date

GRIN GRIN

YEAH!

NOD NOD

*That's good.

WHAT A CLUMSY WINK!

COPY

OKAY!

SNAAAAP

THE PROXY CHAIR APPROVED IT!

HUH?

*Ouch.

SHE'S TOO GOOD FOR YOU!

TELL HER THANKS! SHE'S VERY NICE!

YOUR GIRL-FRIEND WAS THE INSPI-RATION.

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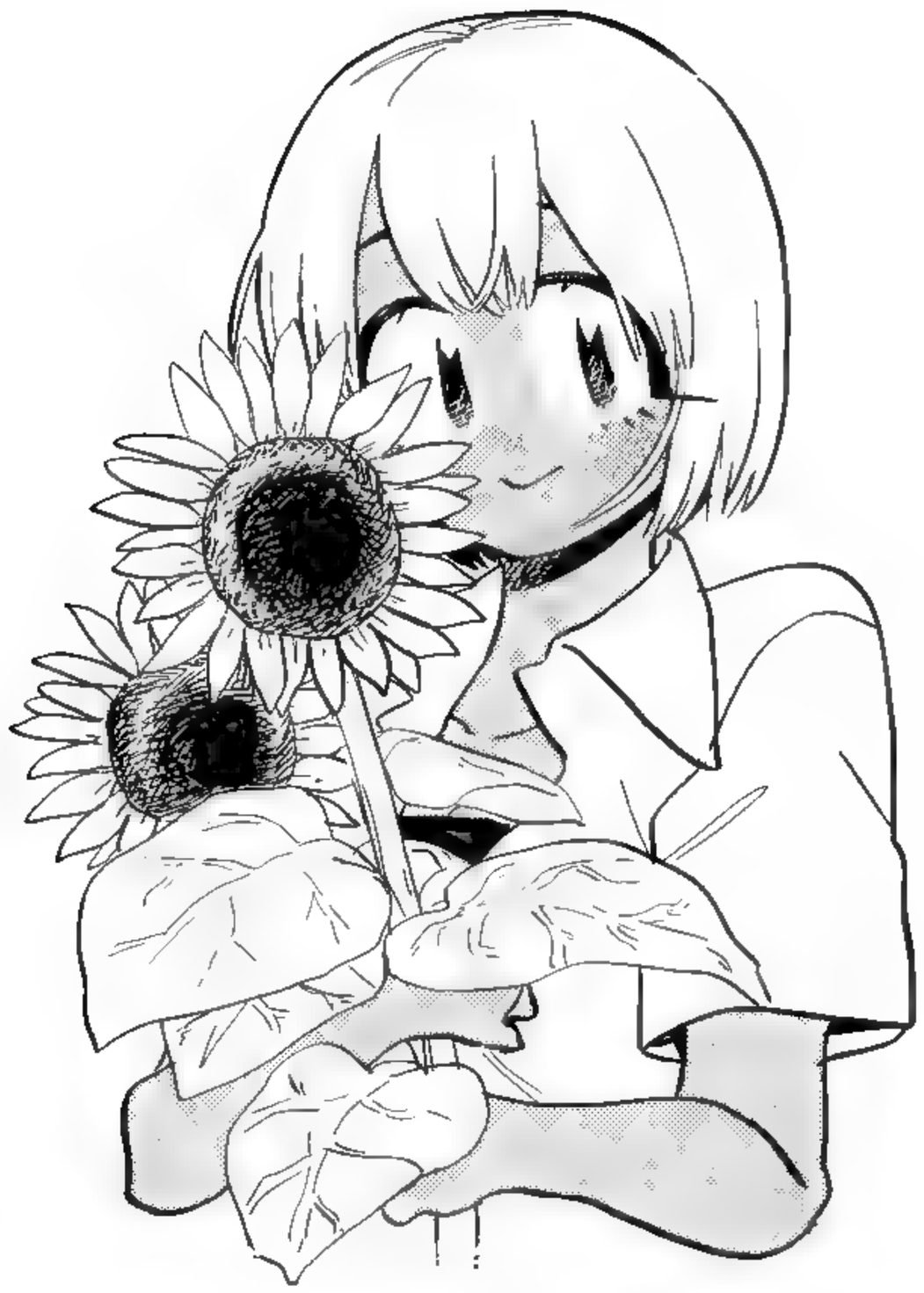

Komi Can't Communicate

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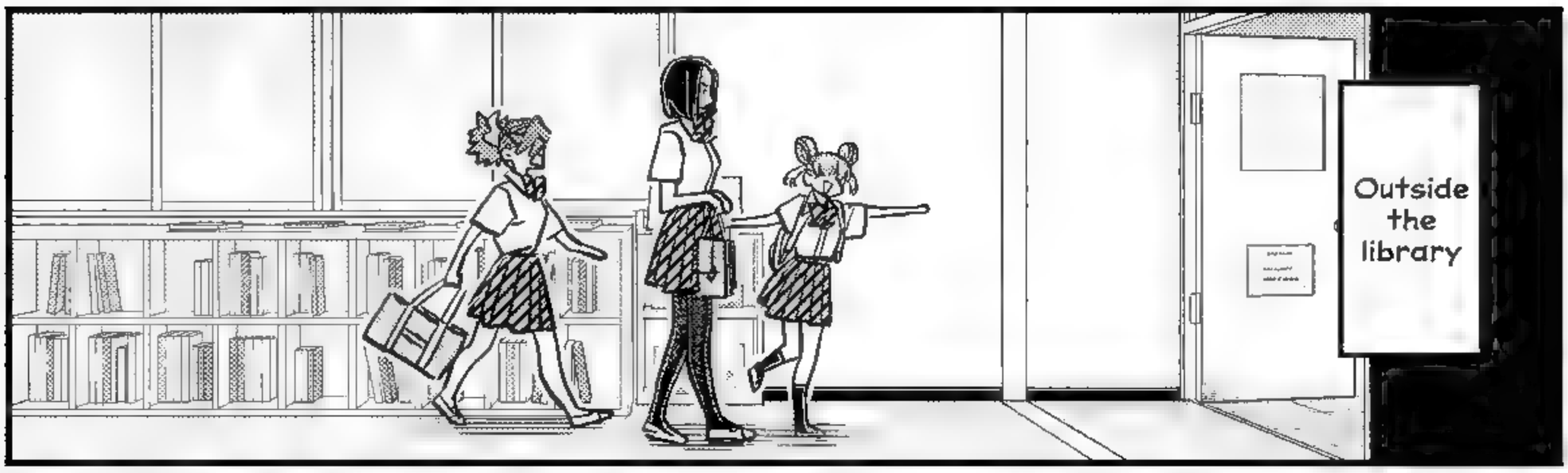
Komorebi and Friends Study for Tests

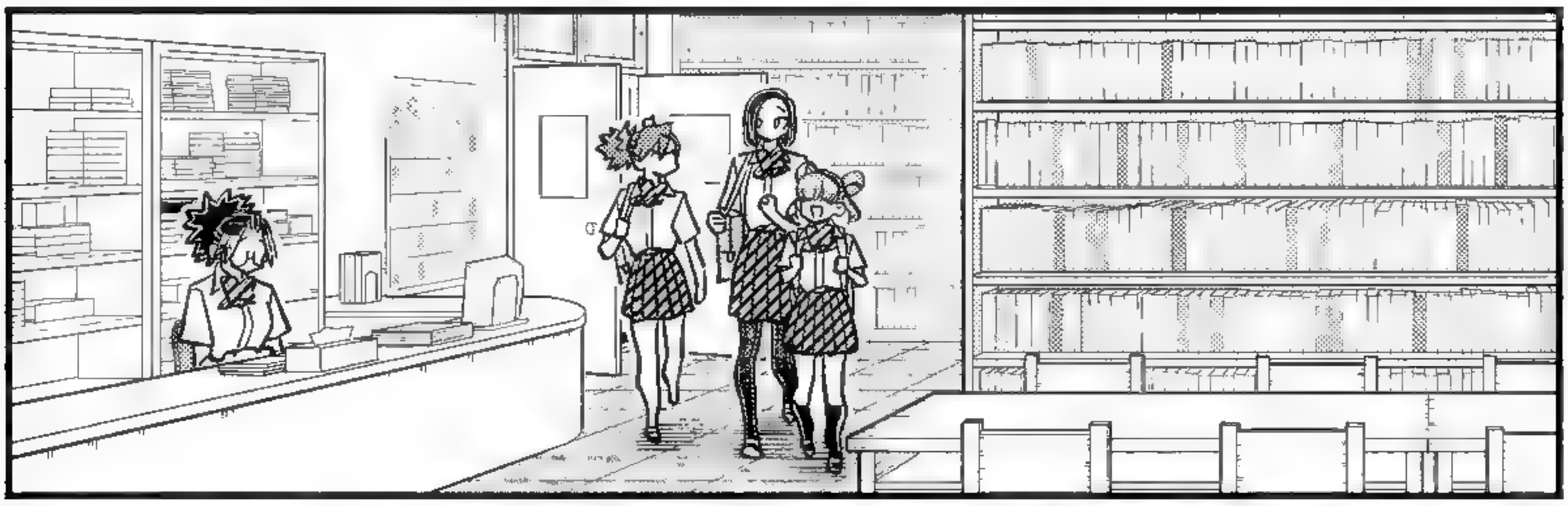
YEAH ...
I'M MORE THE ACTIVE TYPE!
YOU JUST DON'T WANNA STUDY FOR FINALS.
LET'S ALL STUDY TOGETHER!

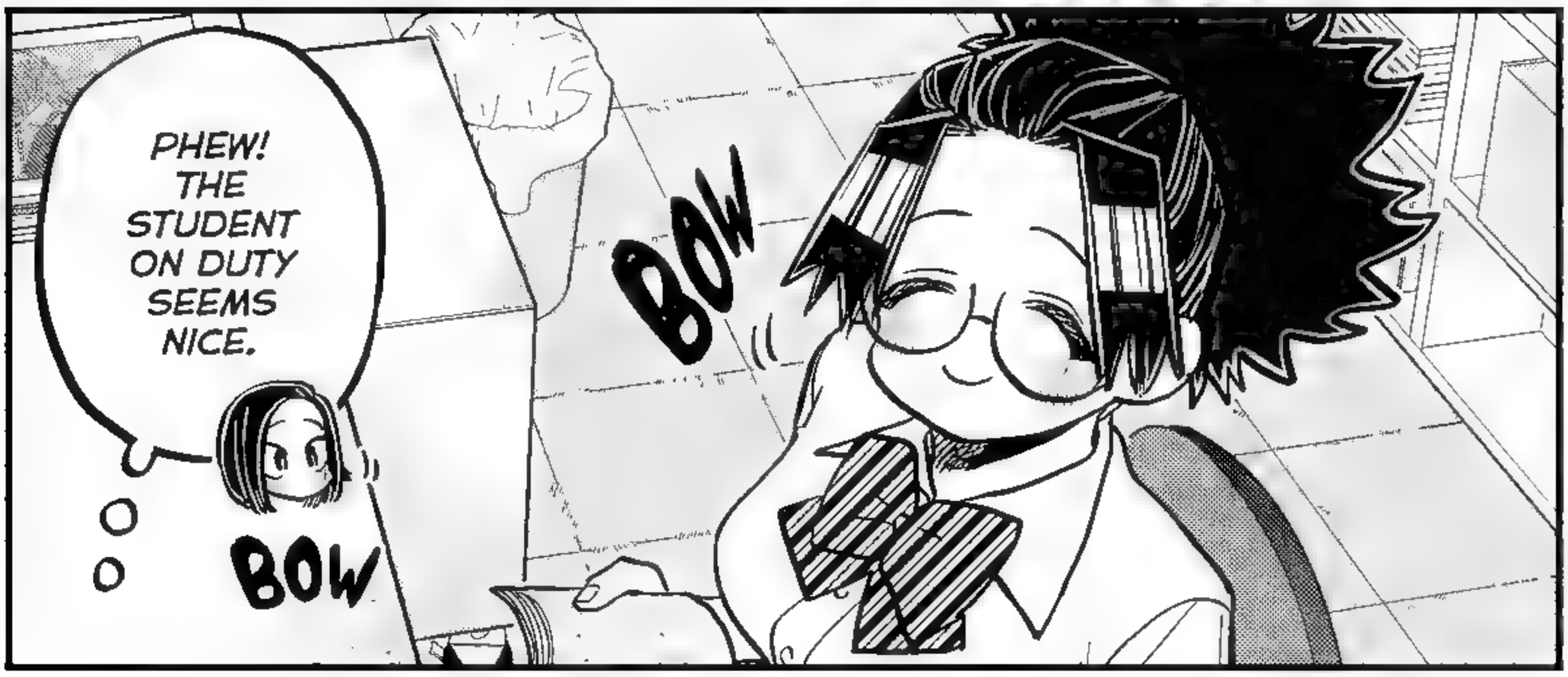
!
IN THE LIBRARY!

I'M SO WORRIED ...
SURE, I CAN DO THAT!!
FWSH
BUT BE QUIET, OKAY?


Outside the library

Taped her mouth shut
...




PHEW! THE STUDENT ON DUTY SEEMS NICE.
BOW
BOW

It's crowded...
GLANCE
CCC

WHAT'S WRONG, KOMOREBI ?

HWOP

? ? ? ??

?

HMM... LET'S SEE...

HOW DO YOU SOLVE THIS?

...

...

The smart-est one

A hun-dred years later

*Not really 100 years...

Communication 371 — The End

?!

JOLLLT

Speaker

DING DONG DING DONG

IT'S TIME FOR QUIET WHILE STUDYING IN THE LIBRARY, ROUND 9!!

Whis-per

???
???

They couldn't hear it.

Communication 372:
Quiet While Studying in the Library, Round 9

MINORI AIZAWA
COMMENTATOR

THREE THWACKS = EJECTION

THREE THWACKS AND YER OUT! ANY STUDENT WHO LASTS TO THE END WINS, BUT THERE'S NO PRIZE!

HERE ARE THE RULES! ANY STUDENT WHO MAKES A NOISE OVER 60 DECIBELS GETS THWACKED WITH A HUGE FAN!

PRE-LIMS?!

Heard that much

BA

M

Whis-per

EIGHT CONTENDERS SURVIVED THE PRELIMS!!

?!

Whis-per

WILL THE QUEEN OF CONTRITION GET THWACKED AGAIN?!

CON-TENDER #1! **SHOKO KOMI!**

Whis-per

TOTAL THWACKS SINCE THE FIRST ROUND— 8!

?!

Whis-per

NAJIMI SEEDED IN! EXPECT DIRTY TRICKS!

CONTENDER #2! **NAJIMI OSANA!**

Whis-per

TOTAL THWACKS SO FAR— 26!

?!

Whis-per

...IN EARLIER ROUNDS !!

SHE DISPLAYED IMMENSE PHYSICAL PROWESS...

Whis-per

CON-TENDER #3! IT'S HER FIRST TIME! **MACHI OMAKA-WA!**

?!

Whis-per

... MAKERU YADANO-O-O-O-O-O!

Whis-per

MUZUKA SHIINA WAS #4! BUT SHE DROPPED OUT!

SO REPLACING HER IS...

?!

...!! ...!

...

Whis-per

TOTAL THWACKS-11!

CONTENDER #5 IS ANOTHER VETERAN! **HITOHITO TADANO!**

THIS IS TAKING FOR-EVER!

GONZA-LEZ! #7!

Whis-per

SHE'S DETERMINED TO WIN IN HER FIRST OUTING!

Whis-per

SHE HUNG IN THERE BEFORE! CAN SHE SURVIVE TODAY?!

AKAKO ONIGA-SHIMA IS #6!

THIS IS HER SECOND TIME COM-PETING! TOTAL THWACKS-2!

Whis-per

...IS A FIRST-YEAR!

Whis-per

CON-TENDER #8...

?!
?!

CLAK

Whis-per

A TOTAL ROOK-IE!

IT'S SUSUMI SHUJO!!

PAT

?!!?
??!?

BI

NG

DO YOUR BEST WITH WHAT?!

I'LL DO MY BEST!

Whis-per

Whis-per

THANK YOU!

*JUDGING FROM TOTAL THWACKS TO DATE, I'D HAVE TO SAY KOMI. HOWEVER, THIS IS A QUIRKY LINEUP. SOMETHING HILARIOUS COULD RESULT IN THREE THWACKS IN RAPID SUCCESSION. THEY'RE ALL DETERMINED TO PUT ON A GOOD SHOW, SO I WISH THEM ALL THE BEST.

Whis-per

WHO DO YOU HAVE YOUR EYE ON, KOMETANI?

THE ATHLETES ARE MORE FIRED UP THAN EVER!

*ME TOO.

Whis-per

I WONDER WHO WILL FALL FIRST!!

Whis-per

?!

FOOSH

Whis-per

BEGIN STUDYING!!

UH-OH! WHAT'S THIS?!

BRRRAP

NAJIMI ...

...IS ALREADY ON THE OFFEN-SIVE!

POO POO CUSHION

NAJIMI PUT A POO-POO CUSHION UNDER YADANO!

SKRK SKRK SKRK SKRK SKRK

...

...

?!

NAJIMI SELF-DESTRUCTS !!

THWACK

BWO ha..

70 dB

IS THIS ANY WAY TO STUDY ?!

NAJIMI FALLS FIRST! THIS IS HEATING UP!

VRE EEEE

*NAJIMI'S OWN FART GAG DID IT!

THAT COULD BE FATAL!

BWSH

THE ELECTRONICS CLUB PROVIDED TODAY'S THWACKER! **VISE FAN ROBO GRM!**

THWACKING AT THREE TIMES GORIMI'S STRENGTH!

THIS STUDY SESSION IS ON THE BRINK!!

TRMBL TRMBL TRMBL TRMBL TRMBL

THEY'RE READY TO BURST!

CON-TESTANTS ARE HOLDING BACK LAUGHTER!

WHIS-PER

?!

AWW-WWW, YEEE-EEAH!

Win!

Rabid Fans

BUT THEY HOLD IT IN!! STUDY CONTINUES!

SKRK
SKRK
SKRK
SKRK
SKRK
SKRK
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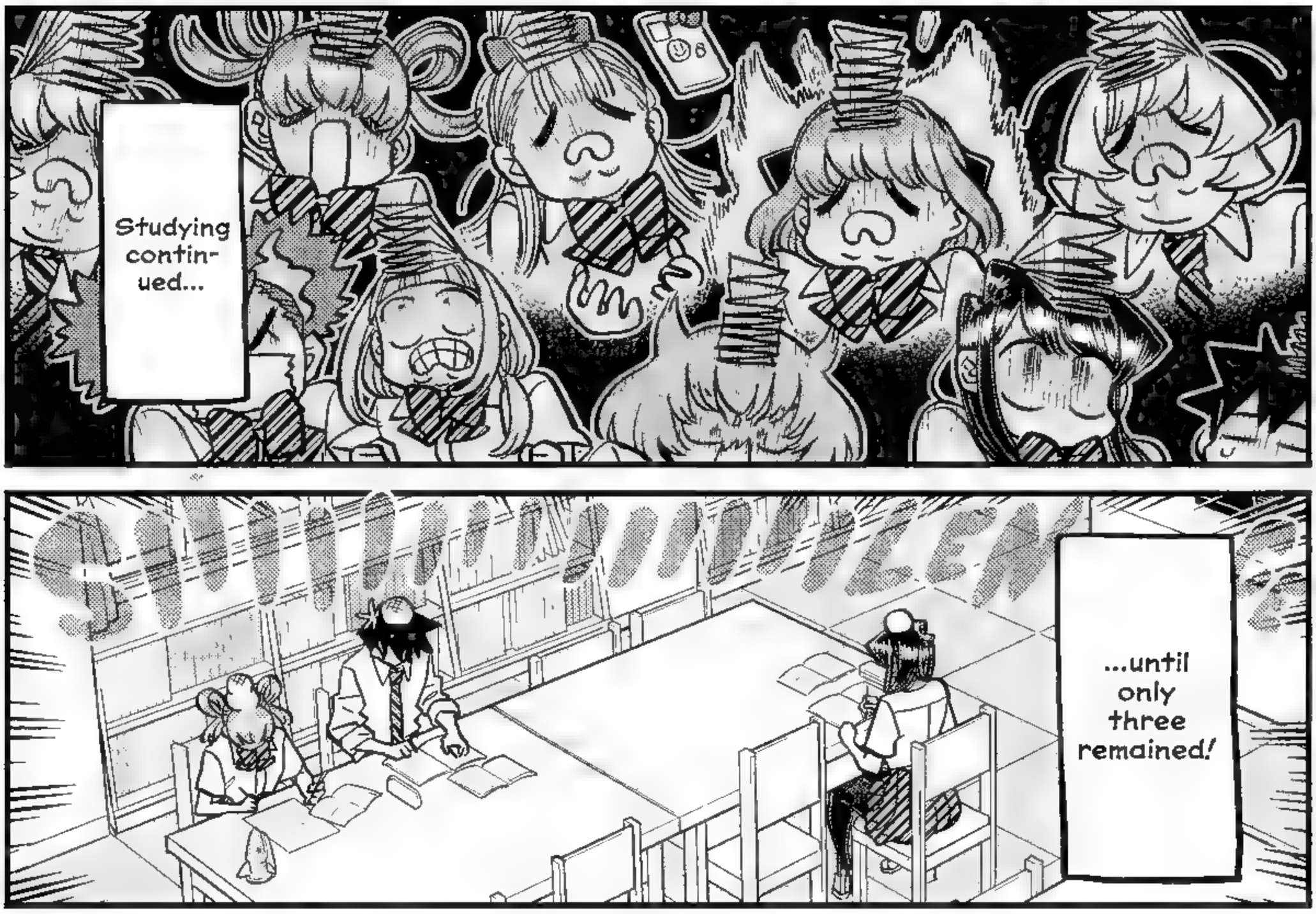
SKRK
SKRK
SKRK
SKRK
?!
WILL I GET THWACKED TOO?!
SHWACK
MMF MMF-MMF MMF MM-MF!! (I CAN'T TAKE IT ANY-MORE!!)
TRMBL
TRMBL


Studying continued...
...until only three remained!
IS IT OKAY TO TALK?!
62 dB
TELL ME HOW TO DO THIS ONE.
!

MAYBE IT'S ALL OVER?

IT'S SO QUIET NOW.

...THIS IS MY CHANCE.

Safe Birth

THAT MEANS...

Conversation simulations

I FEEL SO AWKWARD!!

...

IF SHE IS, I'LL SAY, "OH, IN THAT CASE, HERE."

IF SHE ISN'T, I'LL SAY, "OH, SORRY."

"ARE YOU THAT SHRINE MAIDEN?"

BUT WHAT SHOULD I SAY?

Komorebi gives up quickly.

YEAH, I'LL JUST NOT.

SWOOSH

MAYBE I SHOULDN'T SAY ANYTHING.

...TO GIVE UP?

BUT IS IT OKAY ...

Safe Birth

MMF

Gesturing "Don't worry! I paid

!!

...was SCARED too

I...

Spelled with the kanji 木漏れ日? What a nice name!

BLOOP

BLOOP

Totall

!

UM, K-KOMI?

WE MAY NEVER BE FRIENDS...

...BUT ...

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Communication 373:
Study Session at Home, Part 1

The last weekend before midterms

SUN MON TUE WED THU FRI SAT
7
MID-TERMS!

Check-ing the time

TAP

Komi promised to study with Tadano.

They're calling it a study session ...

WORRY! WORRY! WORRY! WORRY! WORRY! WORRY! WORRY!

TAP TAP

...but it's actually a study *date!!*

"Maybe I should have worn something cuter!"

GASP

Should she wear lipstick?!

Does she have anything that smells nice?!

AAAAAAAAAA

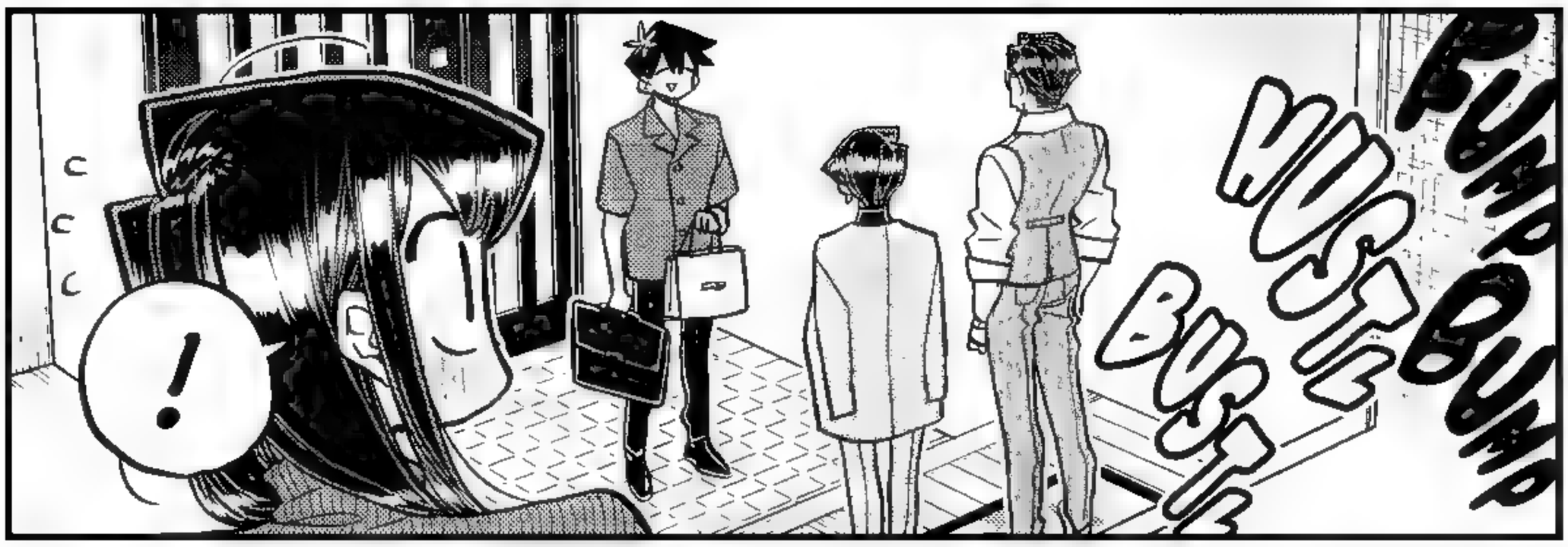
!!!

DONG

DING

She freezes up when she gets overexcited.

FRZ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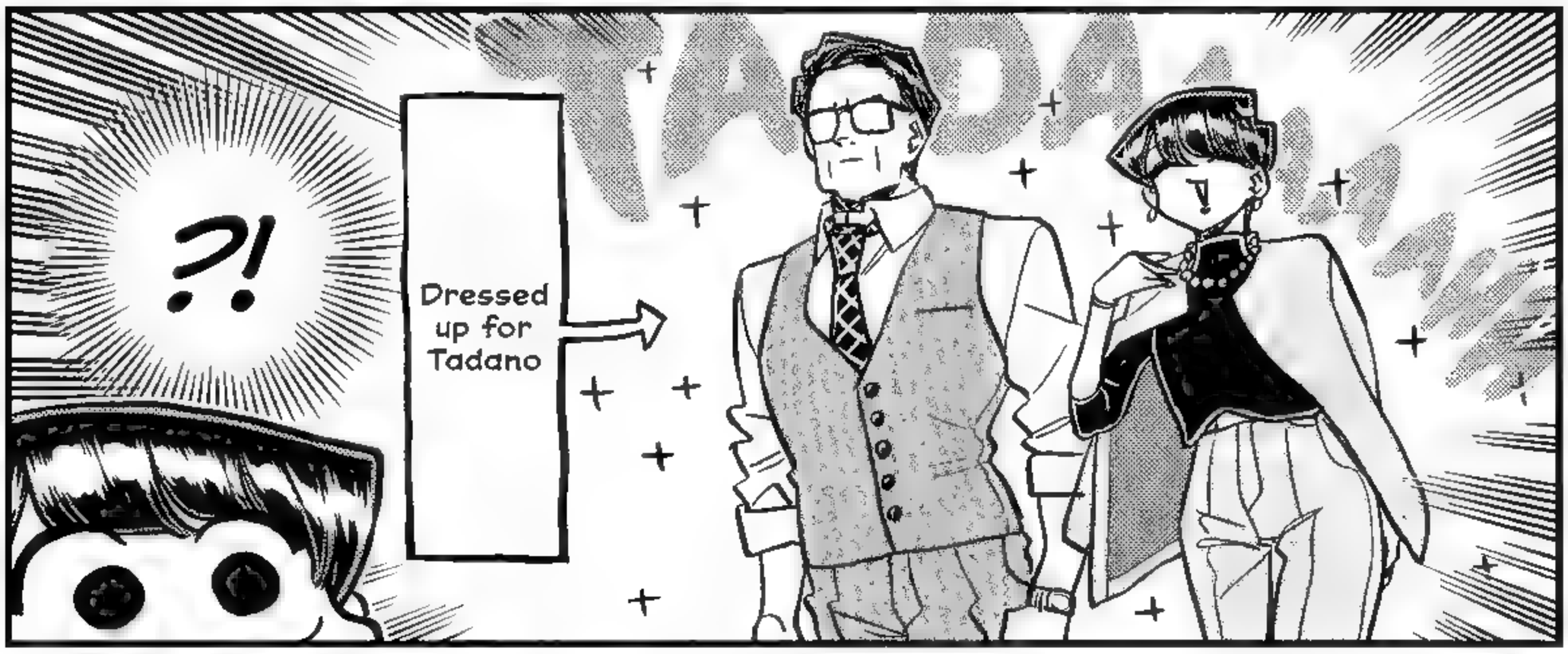
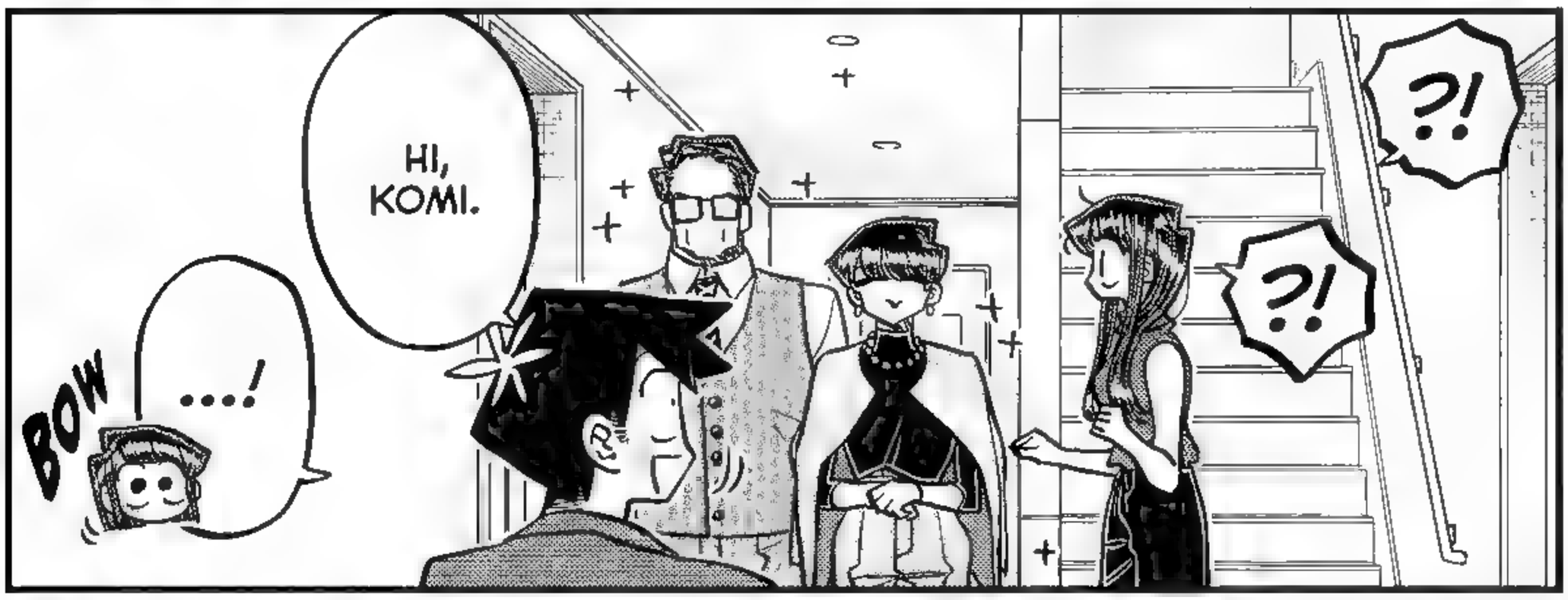
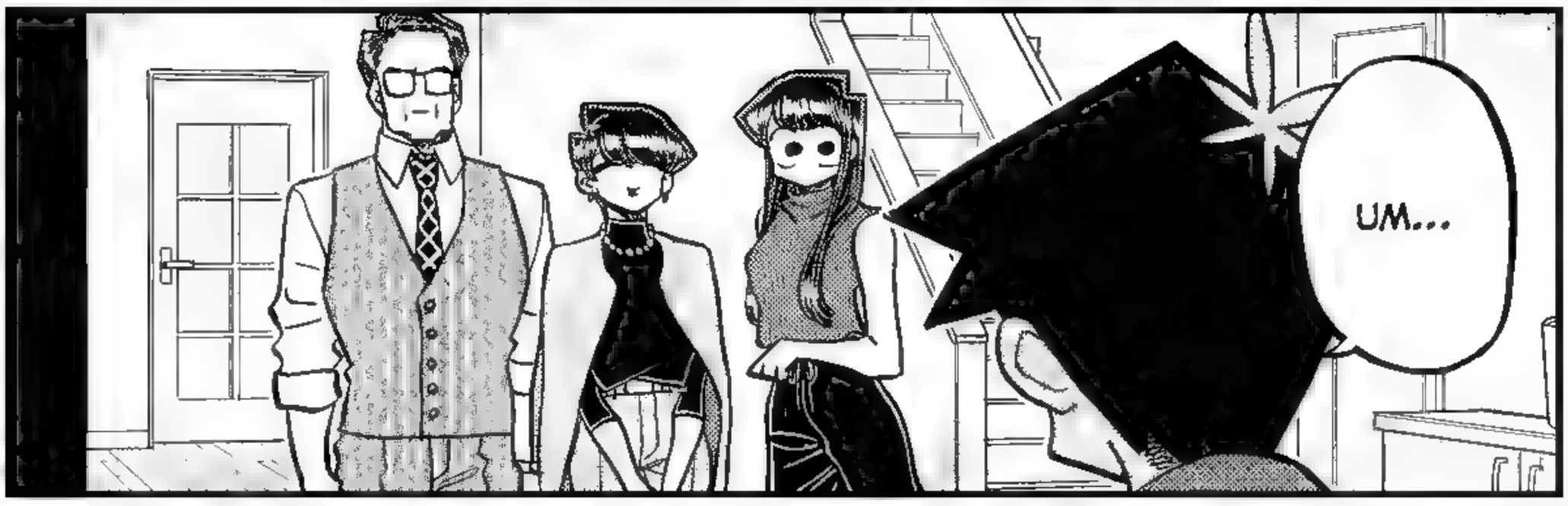

?!
Dressed up for Tadano
TADA
!


HI, KOMI.
BOW
...!
?!
?!


UM...

...KOMI AND I ARE DATING.
!
...AS I THINK YOU KNOW...
Come over sometime!
*Komi's mother told him to come over.
...BUT I WANTED TO TELL YOU MYSELF.
NOT TO BELABOR THE POINT...
...
I'LL TAKE...
...GOOD CARE OF HER.

Every-
one
blushed.
BLUSH
BLUSH
BLUSH
OH MY! THANK YOU! ♥
I HOPE YOU LIKE IT.
THIS IS A THANK-YOU FOR THE POT STICKERS.

!!
???
!?

FUMP

?!

SHUV

SHUV

TUG

TUG

?!

?!

TUG
TUG

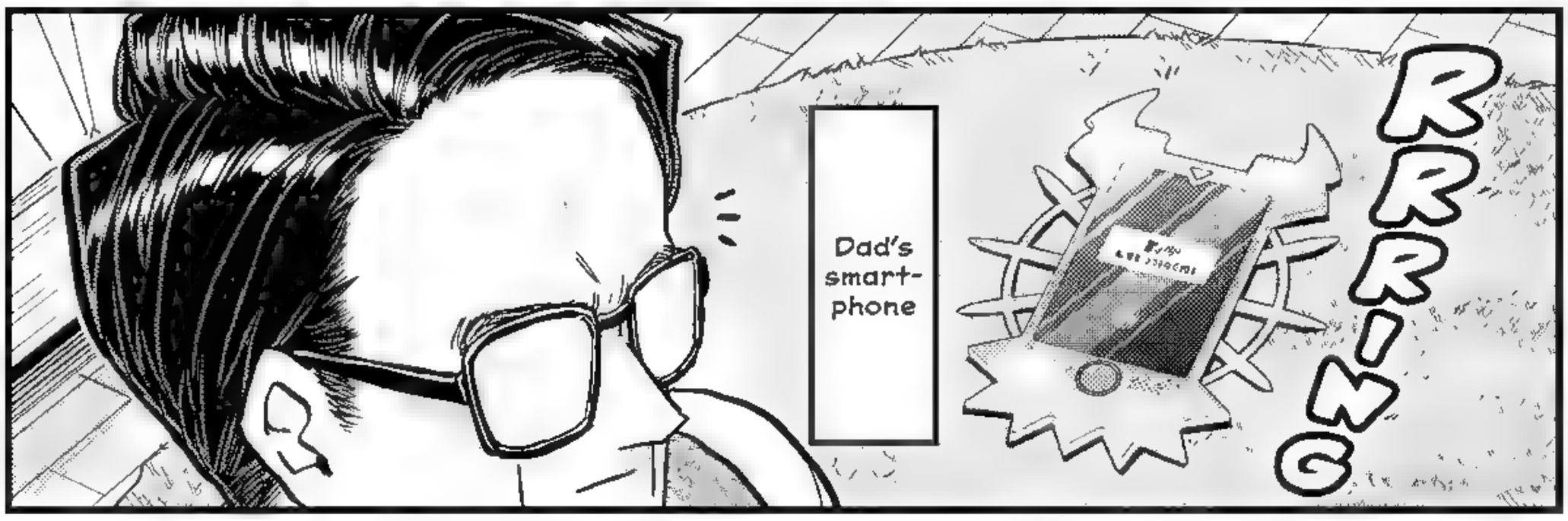
?!

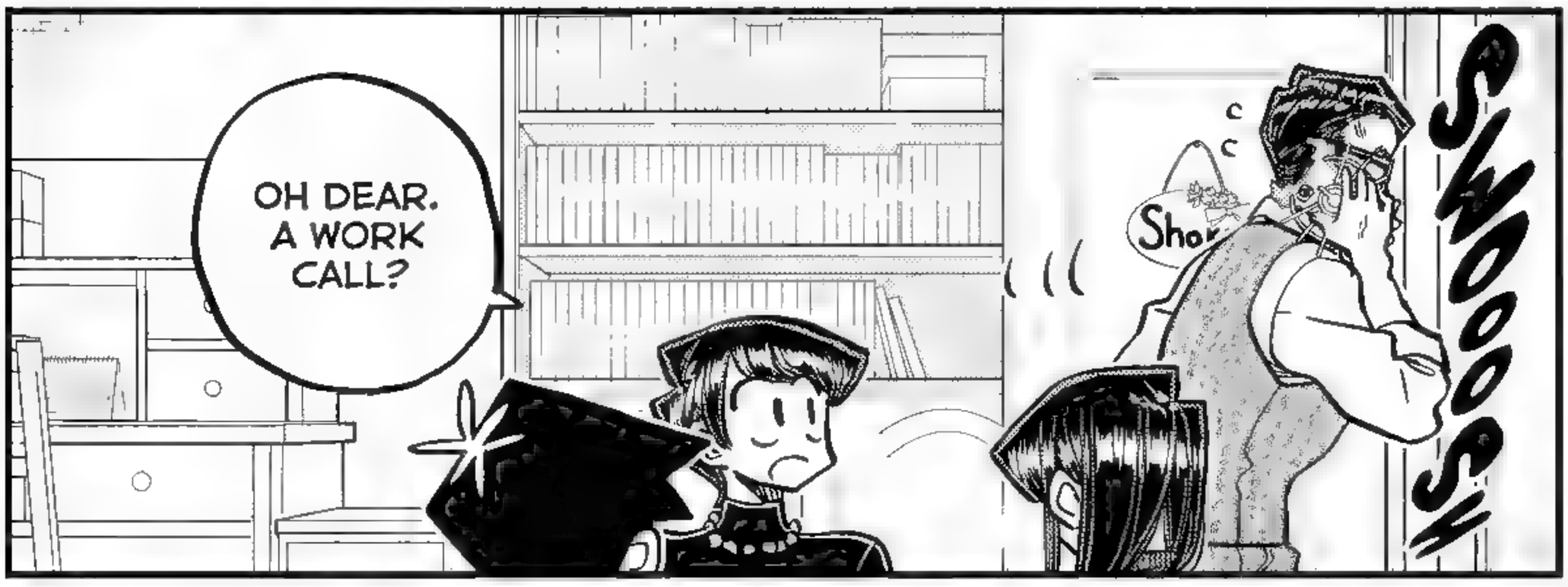
?!?

They love Tadano.

WE WANNA STUDY WITH TADANO TOO!!!

Ah, the good ol' days!
They wouldn't leave, so they're all studying together.


Dad's smart-phone
RRRING


OH DEAR. A WORK CALL?
SWOOSH

Air cock-tail
...
SIGH...
HE WASN'T ALWAYS LIKE THIS.

Was factoring always this hard?
Yes, probably...
SWP
!!
"Don't say that!"
SHAKE SHAKE
NEED TO PEE?
WHAT'S GOING ON HERE?
Studying with his girlfriend's mom in his girlfriend's room

!
THE DAY KOMI STARTED HIGH SCHOOL...
...SHE SAID SHE MADE A FRIEND.
...HAD EVAPO-RATED.
...A F-FRIEND.
I M-MADE...
HER INITIAL WORRY...
...BUT SHE'S ENJOYING SCHOOL.
SHE'S BEEN THROUGH SOME UPS AND DOWNS SINCE...

THANK YOU FOR BEING HER FIRST FRIEND...
...TADANO.

BLOOP

... MOVING!

THAT WAS, UH...

RUB RUB RUB

OH, UM... SORRY!

AS HER BOY-FRIEND...

SWIP

...PLEASE TAKE CARE OF HER.

NOW S-STOP BOWING!

THANKS FOR BEING SO NICE!

Y-YES, OF COURSE!

T

?!

HOW DID YOU CONFESS YOUR LOVE?

IS SHE A WITCH?!

WELL, UM–

I NEED TO KNOW! TO STAY 17 FOR-EVER!

TELL ME ABOUT YOUTH !!

WELL, UM–

...

PLEEE-EEZ!!!

TELL ME! PRETTY, PRETTY, PRETTY ...

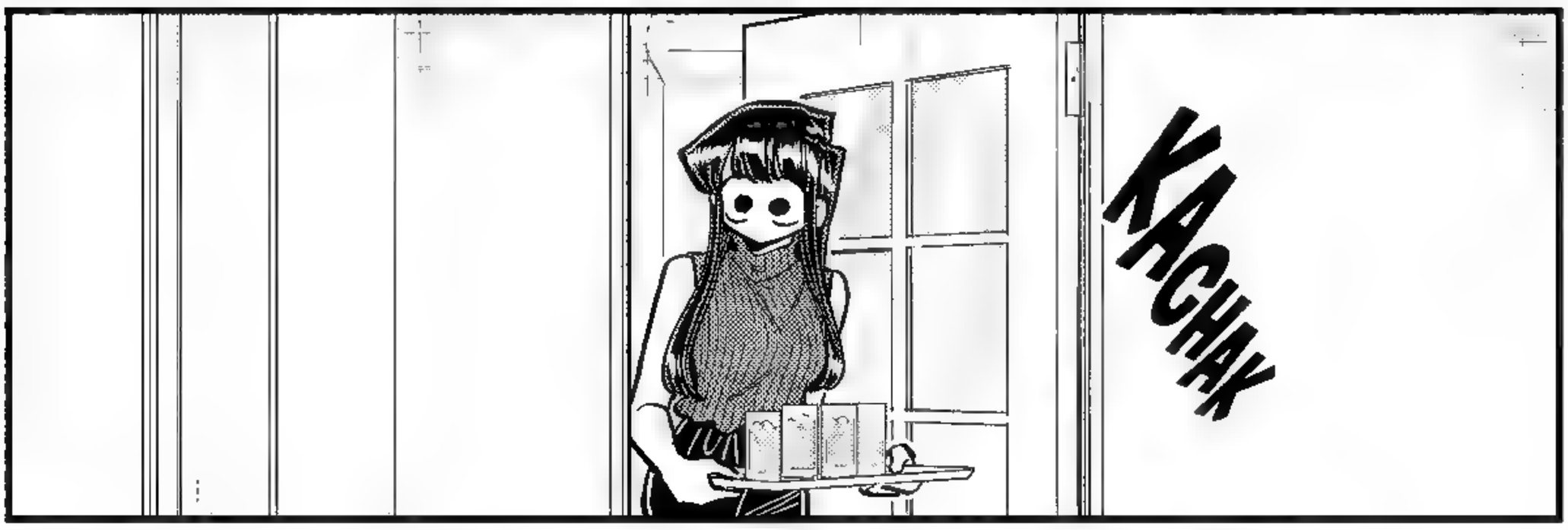
Woo-hoo!

...JUST SAID IT.

I CAME TO GET CHOCO-LATE AND...

Tadano gave in.

PRE-
TEND
I'M
SHOKO
!!!
?!!?
!!??!!
A-AAAAAK
THAT
ISN'T
ENOUGH
!
RE-
AWAKEN
MY
YOUTH
!!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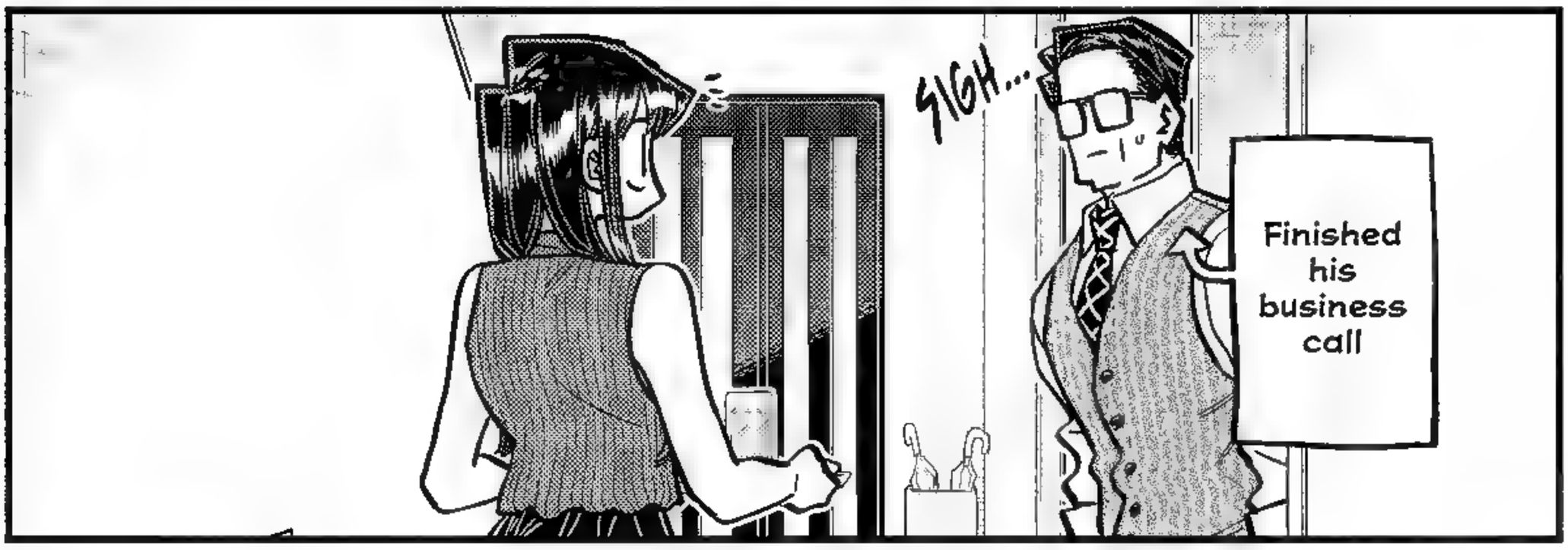
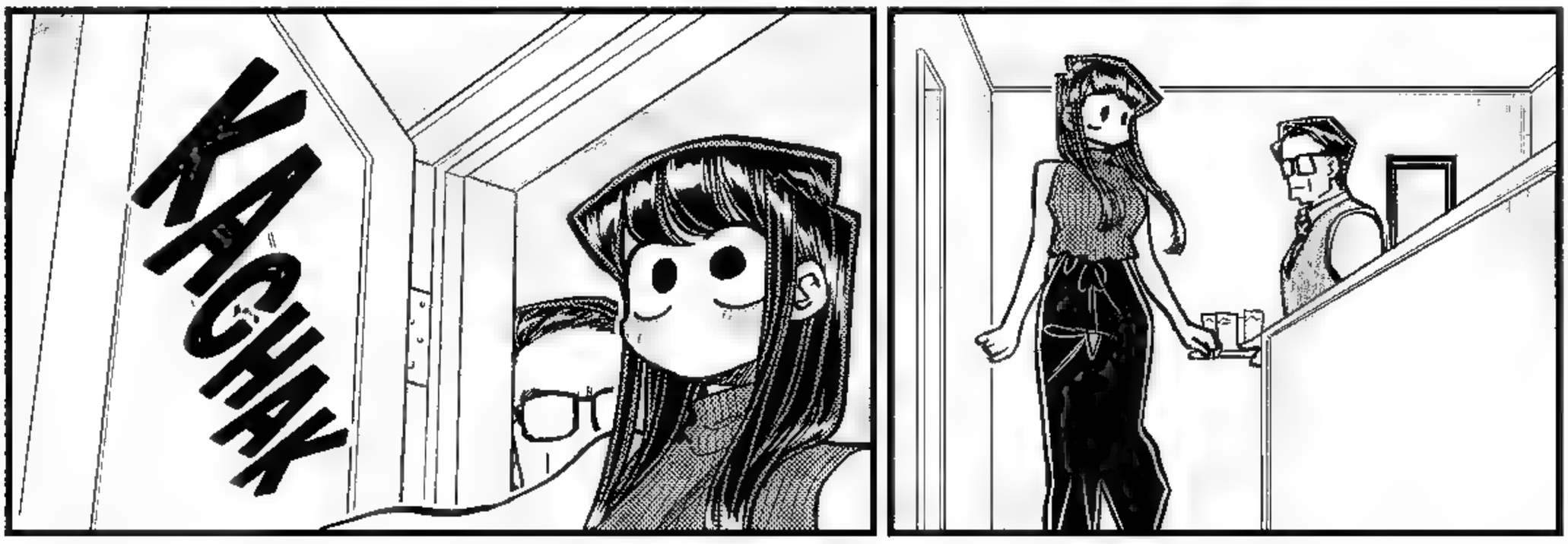

SIGH...
Finished his business call


KACHAK

"...LIKE ..."

Valentine's Day chocolate prop

"...YOU."

"I..."

Shuko Komi

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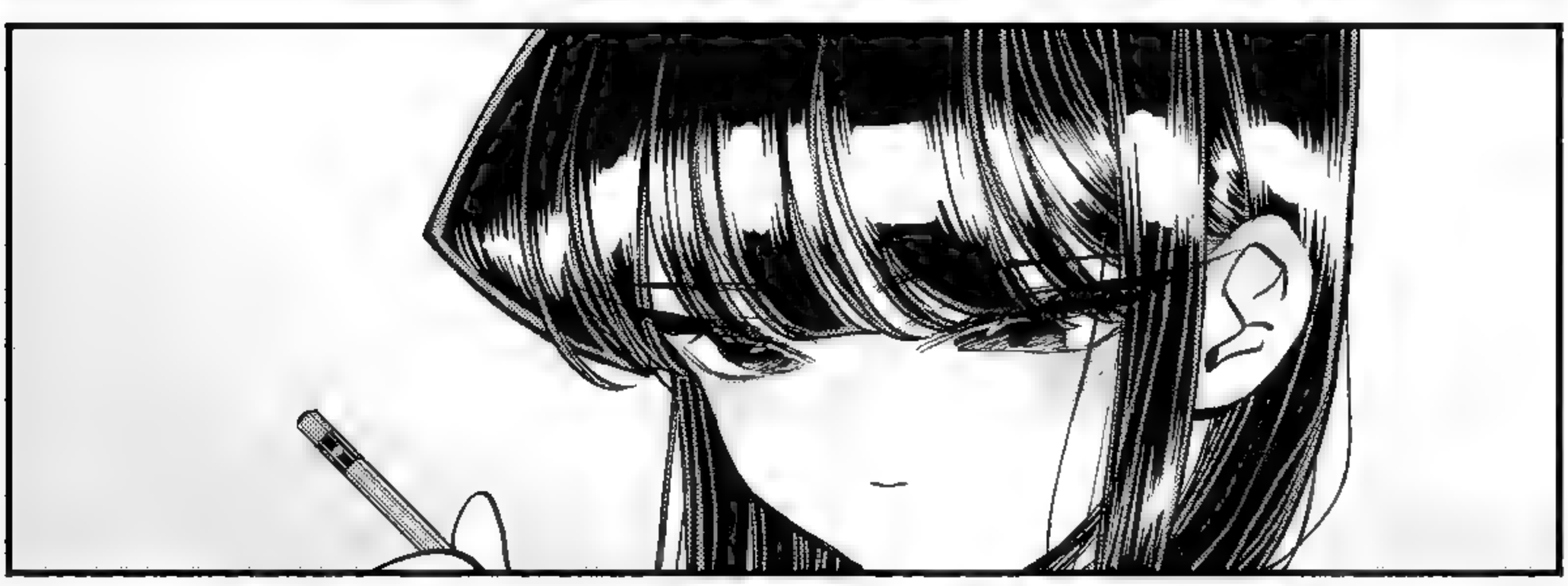
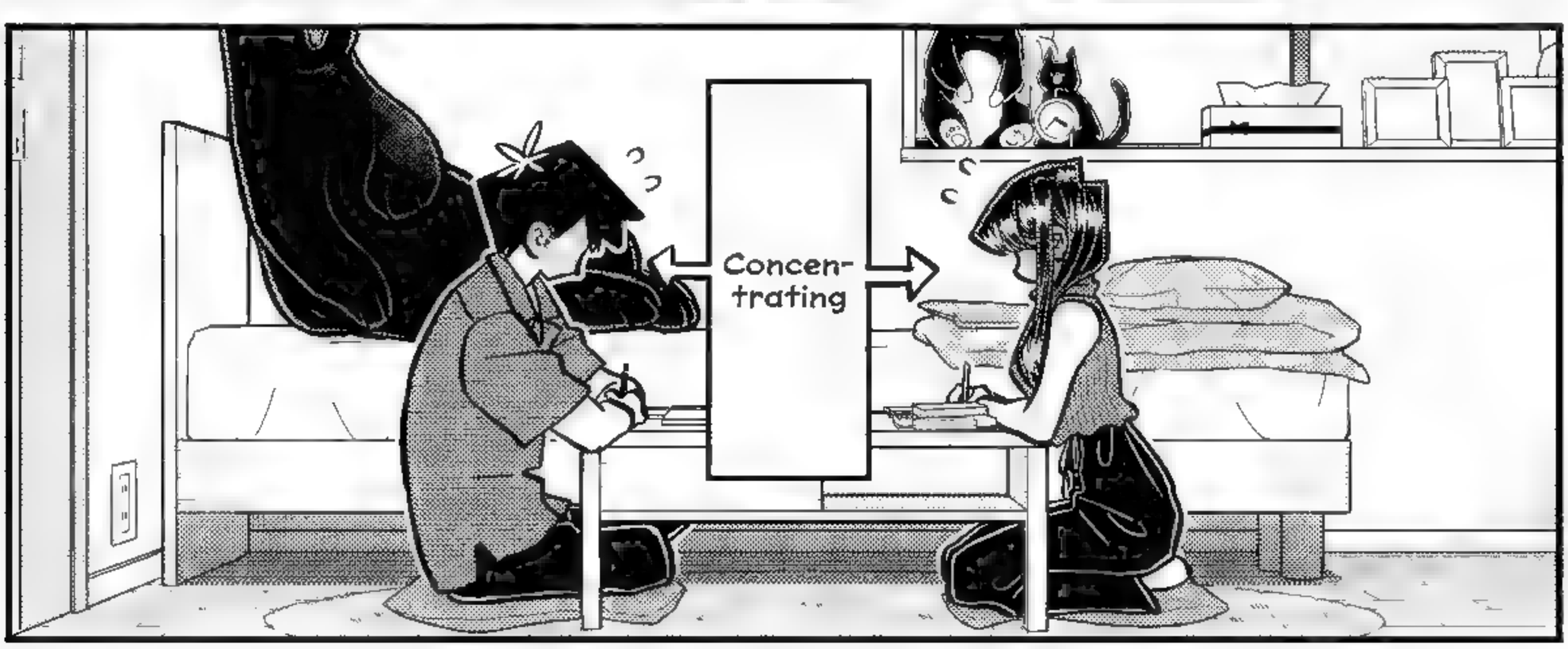




Communication 374: Study Session at Home, Part 2

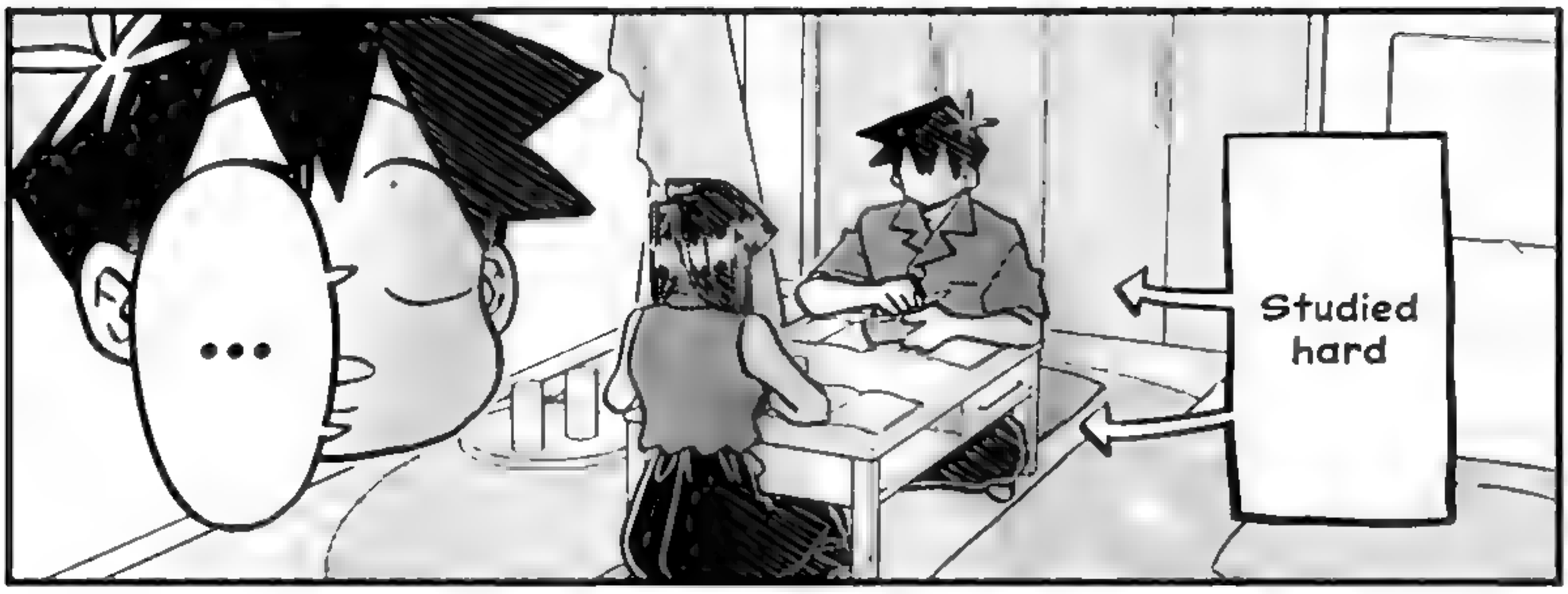
I HAVEN'T BEEN HERE BEFORE AS HER BOYFRIEND.

UFF
WHICH IS IT?!
NO...
ARE WE GOING TO KISS OR NOT?!
BUT...
?!?
??!
Do you WANNA KISS?
MAYBE ...

I MIGHT KISS HER TODAY!!

?
NUH UH
BING BING
BONG BONG

UNAC-
COMPANIED
MINORS
SHOULD
RETURN
HOME.
IT IS FIVE
O'CLOCK.


...
Studied
hard

!
NOD NOD
RUSTL
RUSTL
W-WELL, I SHOULD BE GOING.
...
!
SIGH

...A LITTLE.

!

C C

L-LET'S TALK...

...UH ...

...OF COURSE ...

UM, SURE ...

Tadano panics.

...!

FWOP

Couldn't join her on the bed

!

FUMP

...

FUMP

!

...

!

HEY, SO I WAS THINKING ....

TADANO-

...!

REALLY, MINE WASN'T IMPORTANT.

PLEASE SWIP

PLEASE SWIP

PLEASE SWIP

GO AHEAD.

...!

...

?!

DON'T YOU WANT TO DO SOMETHING WITH ME?

NOD

CHAK

HUH? WHAH?! DO SOME-THING?! WITH YOU?!

...

...SO, UM...

I'M HAPPY JUST BEING WITH YOU...

...

...AFTER SCHOOL.

...AND WHEN WE SAY GOODBYE ...

...AND IN THE MORNING ...

I THINK ABOUT YOU BEFORE BED...

WAA-AH!!

...I LIKE...

... YOU.

I ALWAYS FEEL LIKE...

!

...AND I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO.

WHEN I THINK ABOUT YOU, I LOSE CONTROL OF MY THOUGHTS ...

!!!

...UM, FEEL BETTER.

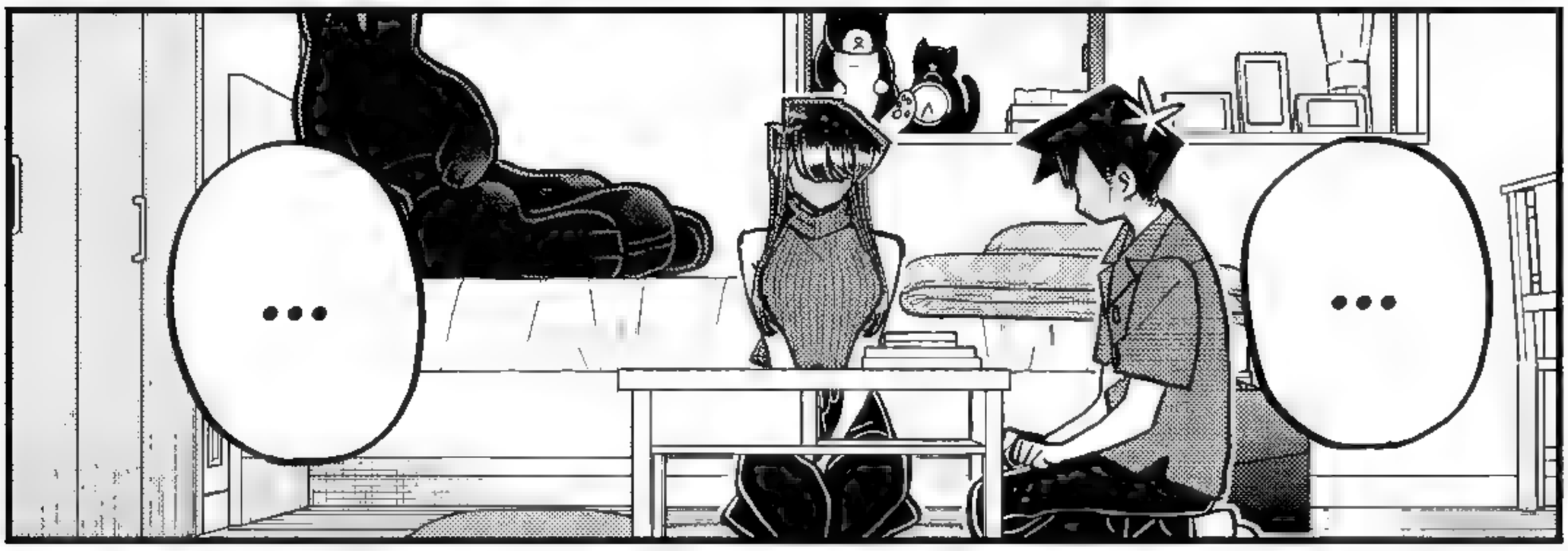
THAT MIGHT MAKE ME...

... KIS-SING.

...I THINK ABOUT FOR EXAM-PLE ...

F...

I D-DON'T KNOW...
...BECAUSE I'VE NEVER DONE IT.
...!!
AGH!
DO YOU WANNA KISS?
SO THAT EXPLAINS IT!
*At the Girls' Convo.
...THAT'S WHAT COUPLES DO.
S-SORRY. M-MY FRIENDS SAY...


...
...
...BUT THAT DOESN'T MEAN *WE* HAVE TO.
OTHER PEOPLE DO...

LET'S GO AT OUR OWN PACE.

OKAY.

?

...ABOUT HAVING NEVER KISSED.

BUT I WAS LYING...

?!

"With my dad ?!"

?!?
?!?

WHEN YOUR FATHER AND I WENT TO THE SAUNA...

!!

A life is at stake!!

DO IIIT!

...

OKA
HE
GO

HE NEEDED ARTIFICIAL RESPIRA-TION!!

WANTED TO BOND

YOUR DAD COLLAPSED! AND HE MIGHT'VE DIED!!

IT WAS A MEDICAL THING!!

Yes...I'm sorry.

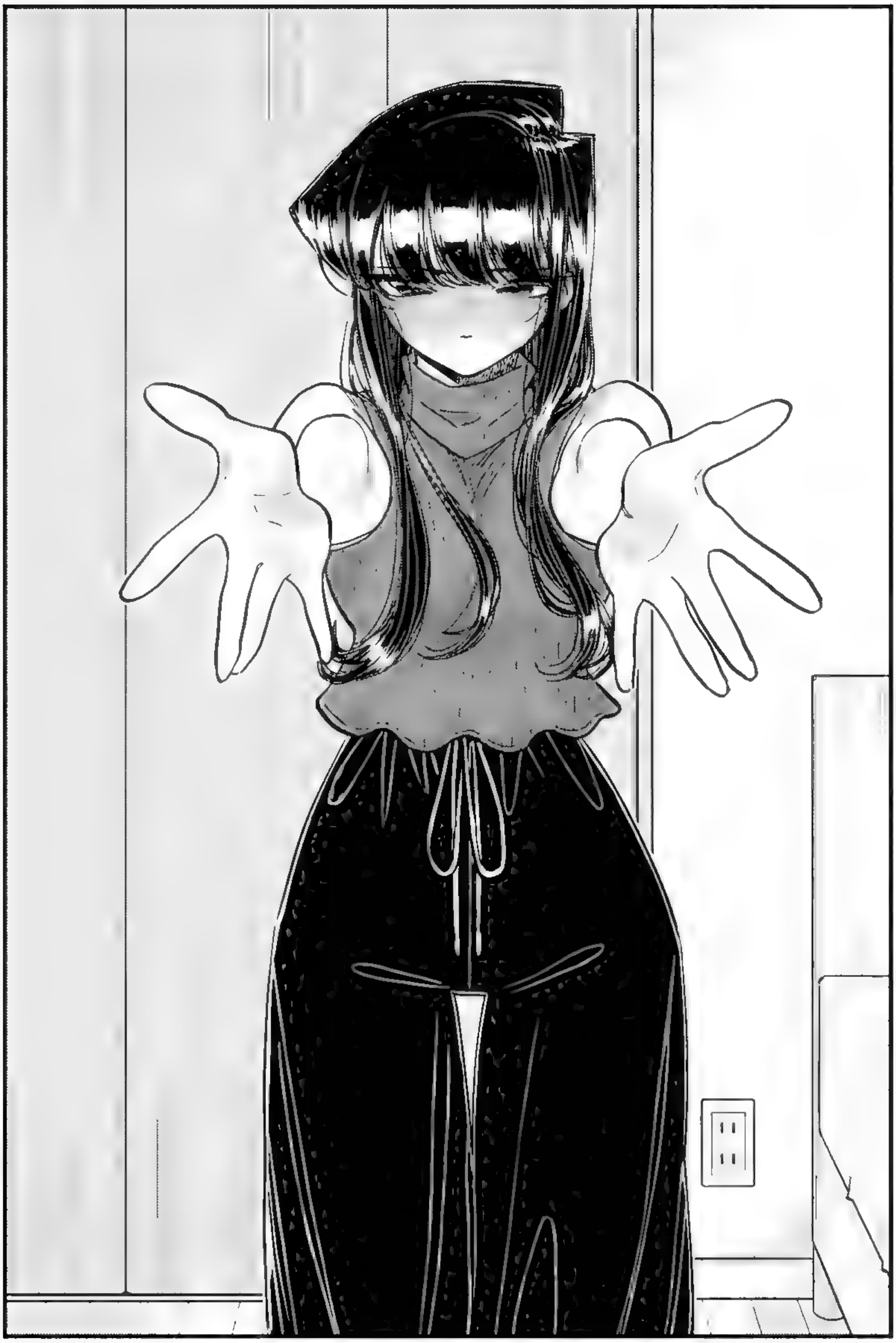
YOU CONFESSED TO MY MOM AND KISSED MY DAD...

TEE HEE...

THAT'S SO UNBELIEVABLE!

!
...!
TITTER
TITTER
!
ACTUALLY, I *DO* WANT TO DO SOME-THING.

MAY I HUG YOU?
BLINK BLINK



...
PARDON ME.
UM...

Communication 374 — The End

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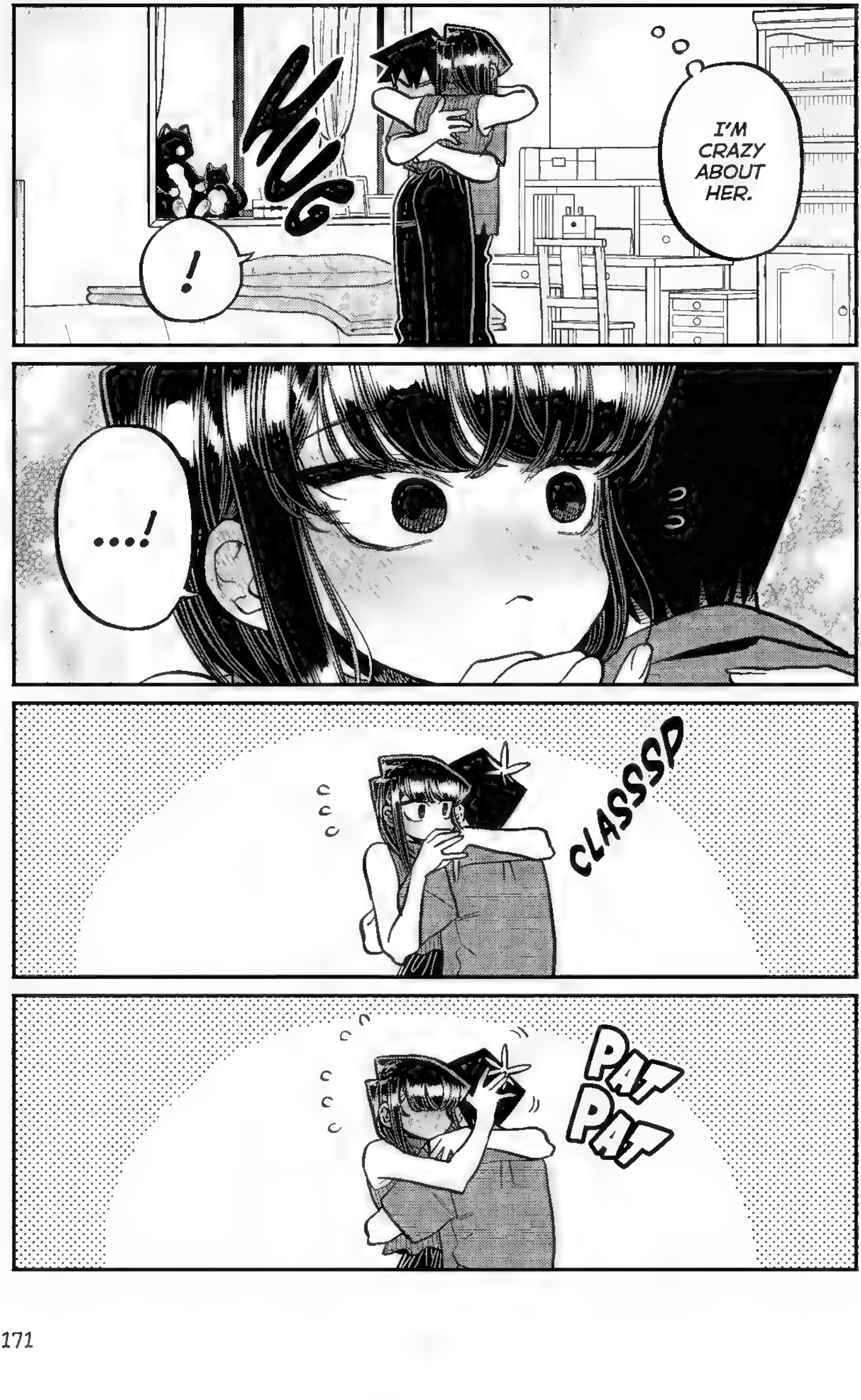
Communication 375:
Study Session at Home, Part 3

SHE SMELLS GOOD.
WHERE SHOULD I PUT MY HANDS?
...MY HEART-BEAT?
BUMP
BUMP
BUMP
CAN SHE HEAR...


I'M CRAZY ABOUT HER.
!
...!
CLASSSP
PAT PAT

Wanted to hug longer

N-NO, UM...

...ACTU-ALLY...

WAO

SORRY! WAS THAT TOO TIGHT?

!

I was ner-vous...

DID I SMELL LIKE SWEAT?

WARM?

YOU, UM... SMELLED WARM.

IT WAS, UM... REASSURING.
Tadano's heart
...THE WAY....
...YOU SMELL.
I LIKE...

BLUSH
BLUSH

BLUSH
BLUSH
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BLUSH
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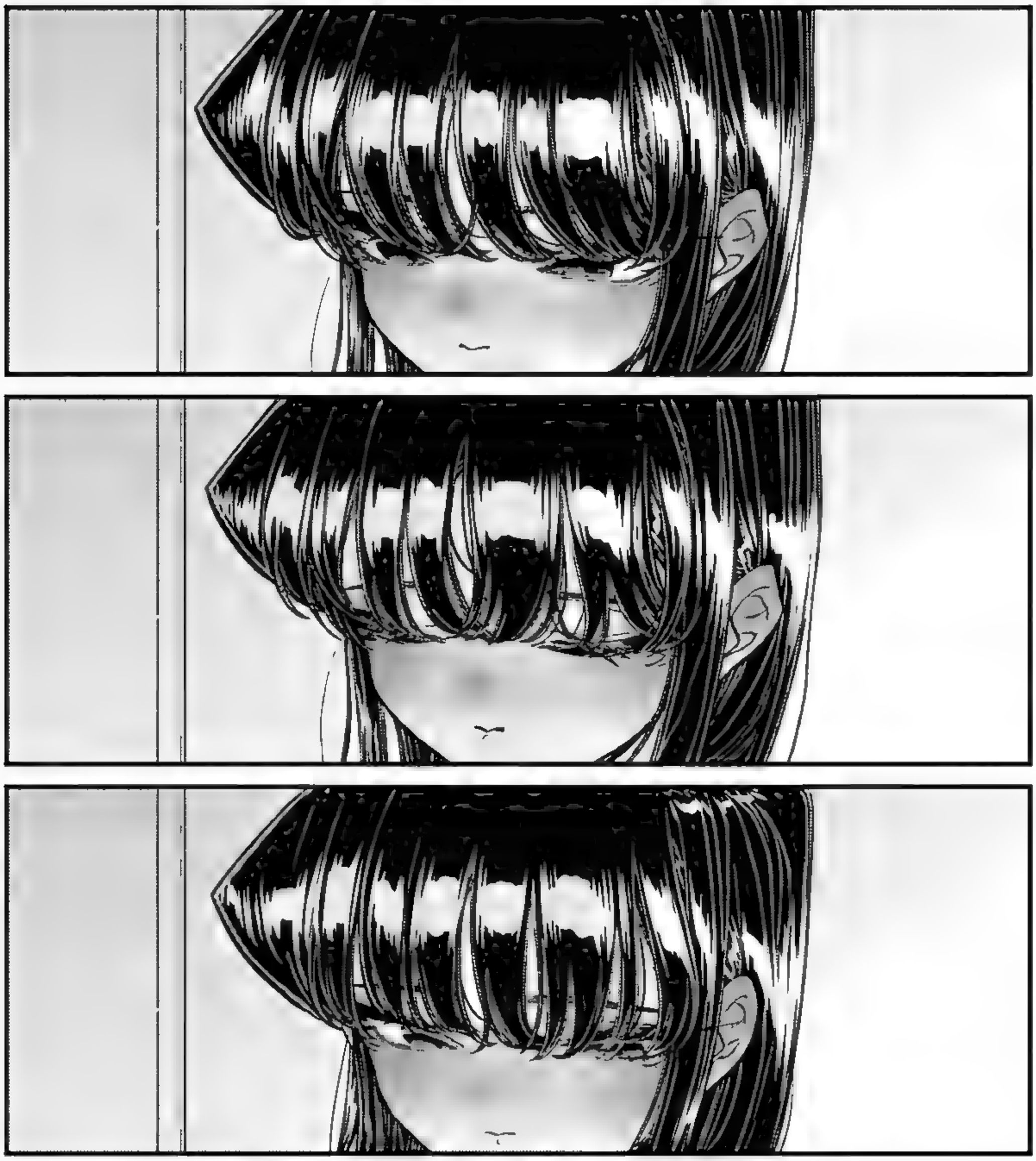
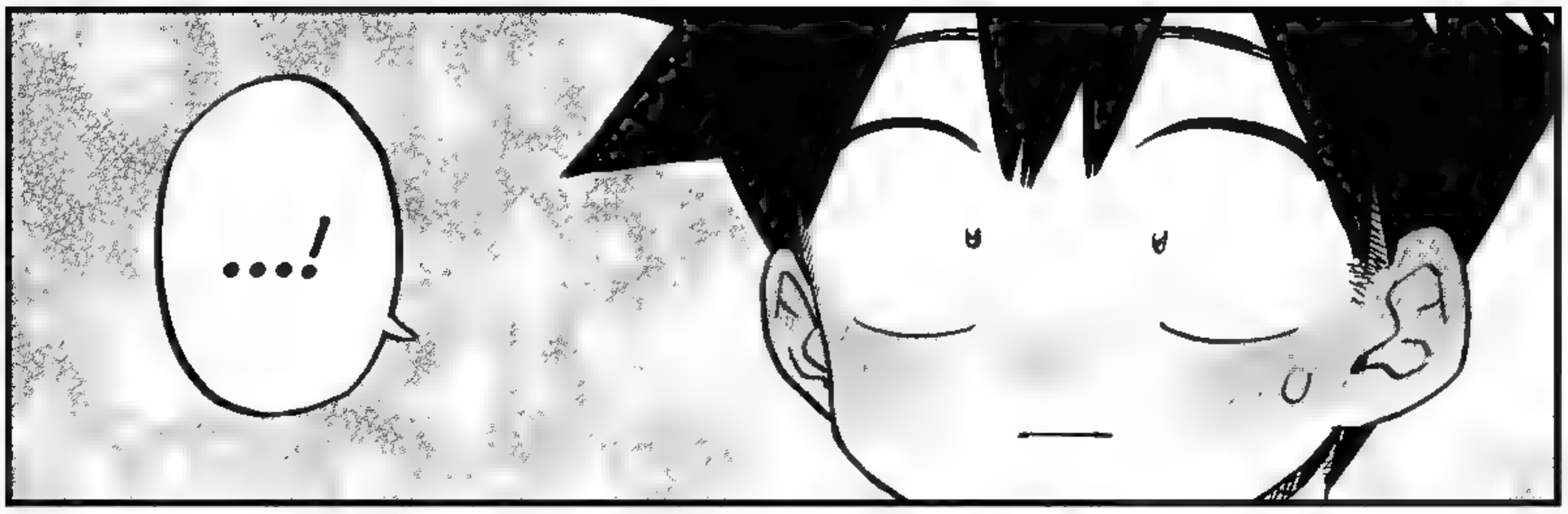
BLUSH

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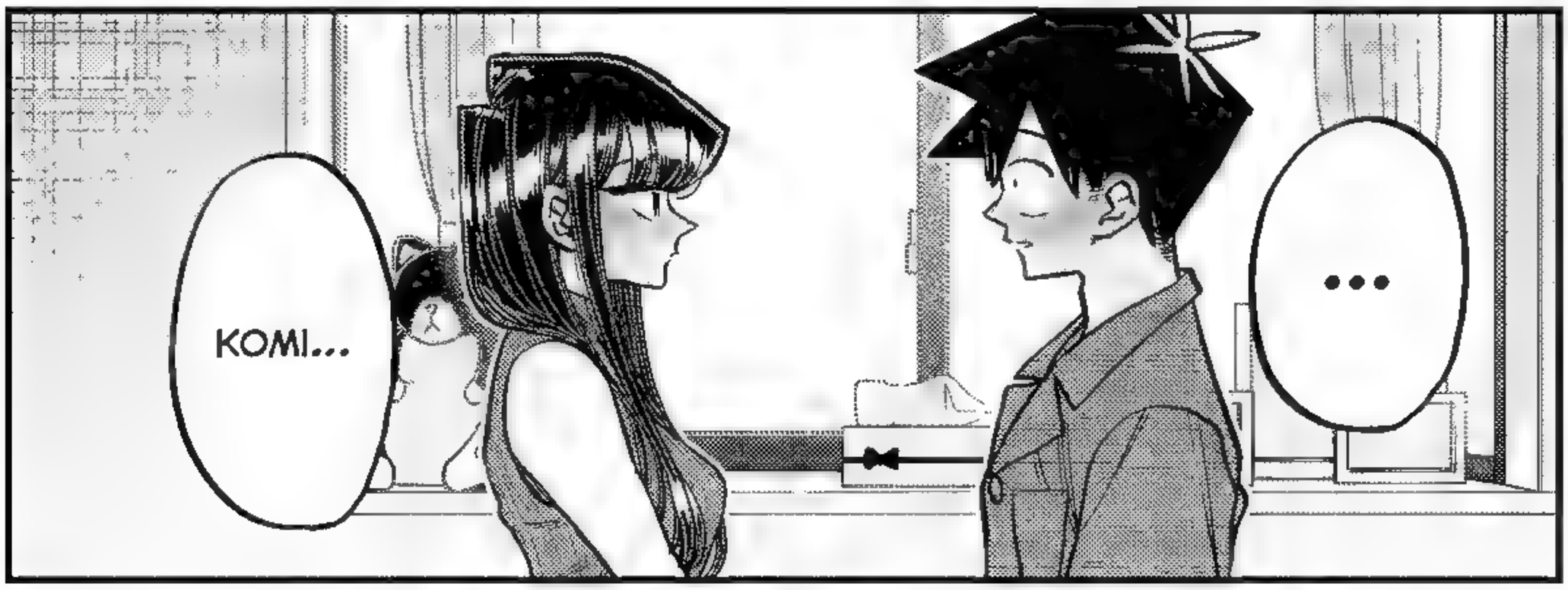
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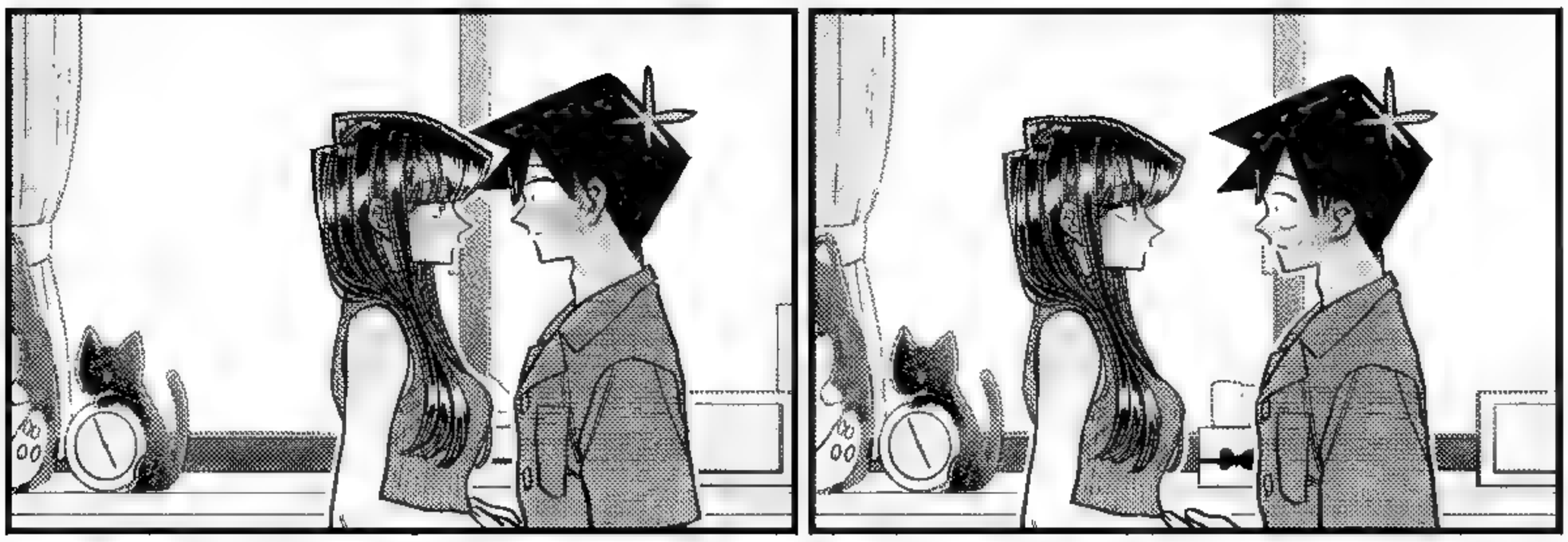
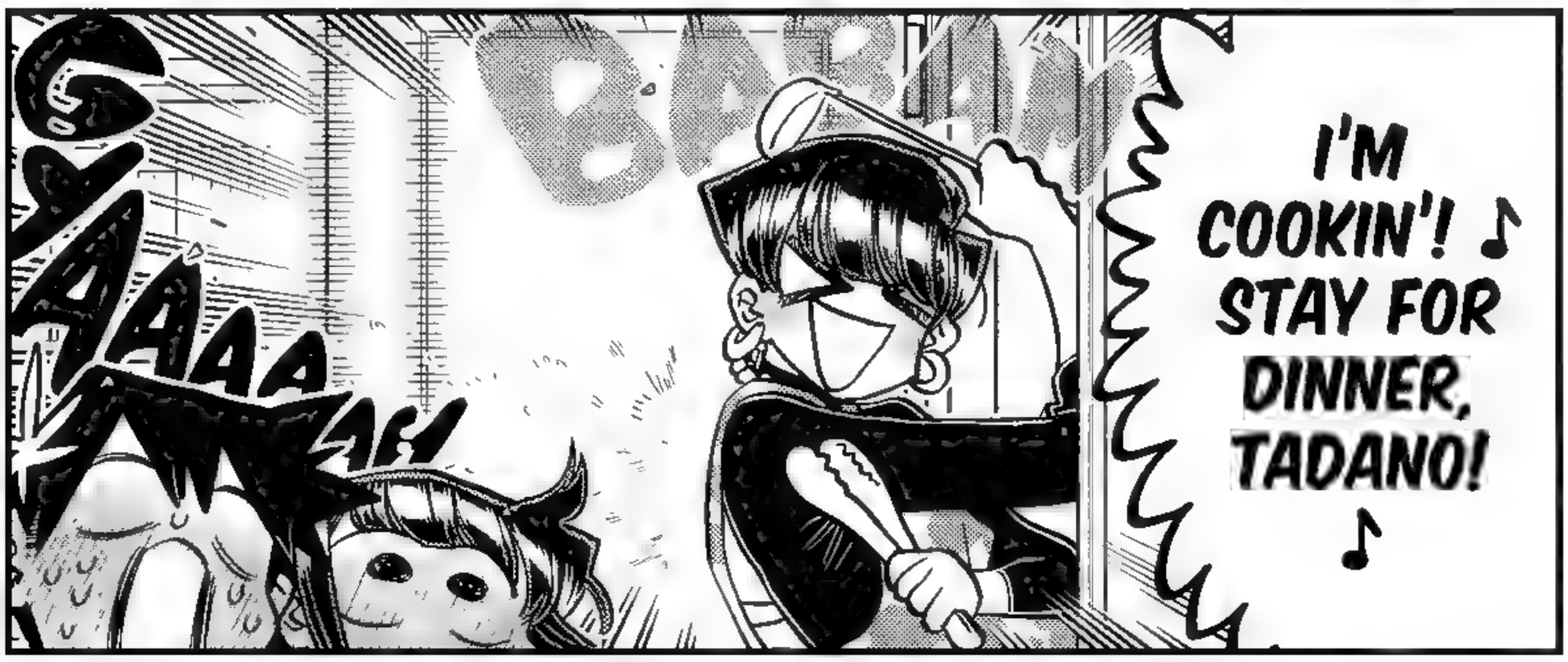
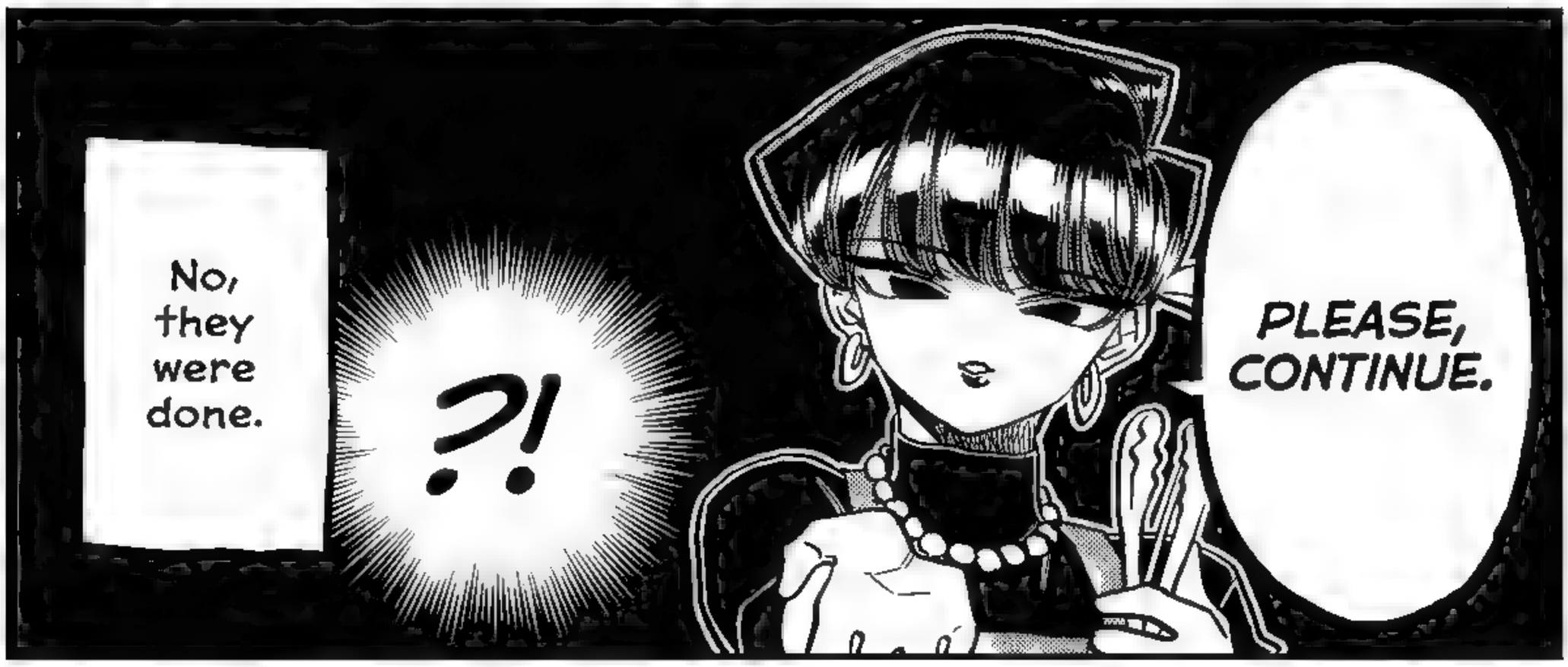



GASP
I'M COOKIN'! ♪ STAY FOR DINNER, TADANO! ♪



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Communication 376: In That Case, Oh Well

Rank 111/150

Kometani: 470/950 points

Katai: 729/ 950 points

Rank: 53/ 150

Sukida: 20/950 points. Rank: 150/150.

Rank: 28/ 150

Naka-naka: 828/ 950 points

Don't copy me!

You copied me!

Rank: 28/ 150

Yamai: 828/ 950 points

Bosa: 950/ 950 points

Rank: 1/150

Hannya: 677/ 950 points

Rank: 67/ 150

Ojosa: 654/ 950 points

Rank: 69/ 150

Isagi: 918/ 950 points

Rank: 6/150

Naruse: 881/ 950 points

Rank: 14/150

Ase: 660/ 950 points

Rank: 68/ 150

Ohhh!

Tadano: 745/950 points
Rank: 49/150

That's just weird!!

Is that a prob-lem?!

TADANO, YOU'RE NOT 75 OUT OF 150 IN ALL SUBJECTS ???

Najimi: 777/950 points
Rank: 44/150

BING BING BONG BONG

?

THE TOP 50 THIRD-YEARS WILL NOW GATHER AMONG THE FIRST-FLOOR PILLARS!

THANK YOU FOR COMING.

AHEM!

1

2

3

TESTING... TESTING...

THE TOP 50 STUDENTS IN YEAR THREE!

GATHERED HERE ARE THIS SCHOOL'S MOST LEARNED STUDENTS!

Proxy Chair Icho

YOU DESERVE FURTHER OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDY...

...SO WE'RE GOING TO HOLD A HARD-CORE SUMMER STUDY CAMP!!

!!

STUDY LIKE WARRIORS

...BUT ALSO TOTALLY VOLUNTARY!

IT'S CRUCIAL TO YOUR AND THE SCHOOL'S BENEFIT...

AND THE SCHOOL WILL PAY FOR EVERY-THING!

THE LECTURERS WILL BE ESTEEMED SCHOLARS!

YUSHUSHIN ?!

THE PRESTIGIOUS YUSHUSHIN HIGH SCHOOL WILL JOIN US TO HEIGHTEN COMPETITION!

UM, WHAT?

Ghkp

AND YOU MAY MEET SOMEONE SPECIAL!

OR WHAT?!

*Prob-ably not.

OR LET IT ALL HANG OUT.

THINK OF IT AS RECRE-ATION!

2 1 3

...ON UNIVERSITY ENTRANCE EXAM TOPICS!

THERE WILL BE AN INTER-SCHOOL GAME SHOW...

BUT THAT'S NOT ALL!

LET'S-GO-TO-YAKINIKU POSE

NOT THE BUDGET KIND?!

2 1 3

AND NOT THE BUDGET KIND! ☆

IF WE WIN, WE GO FOR YAKINIKU! ☆

AS WILL I!
ME TOO!
M-ME TOO!
I NEED TO STUDY, SO I MIGHT DO IT!
WHAT ABOUT YOU, KOMI?
CHATTER
Very good...
I'M GOING IF KOMI'S GOING! ♥
NO, I AM! SO BUTT OUT!
CHATTER
CHATTER
OH YEAH? I WAS THINKING ABOUT GOING TOO.
CHATTER
"I don't have plans, so I might go."
...GETS YAKINIKU, BUT...
THE SCHOOL THAT WINS THE GAME SHOW...

...THE LOSING SCHOOL HAS TO CLOSE!

THE SCHOOL HAS TO CLOSE ?!

Contract

Itan Private High School Proxy School Board Chairman Setoka Icho (hereinafter referred to as the "first party") and Yushushin School Board Chairman Marude Yazuka (hereinafter referred to as the "second party") will secure the participation of student representatives for a quiz competition on the final day of Summer Hardcore Study Camp.

In the case of a loss by Itan Private High School, the first party and/or Icho Group will transfer [illegible] and all Itan Private High School management [illegible] the second party.

Let's hope Itan wins!

End of document.

OH, THAT'S ALL?

...BUT MANAGEMENT WILL CHANGE.

THE SCHOOL WON'T ACTUALLY CLOSE...

SHE SAID SHE WAS DRUNK WHEN SHE SIGNED THE CONTRACT.

IN THAT CASE... OH WELL!

GOODBYE, PROXY CHAIR ICHO!

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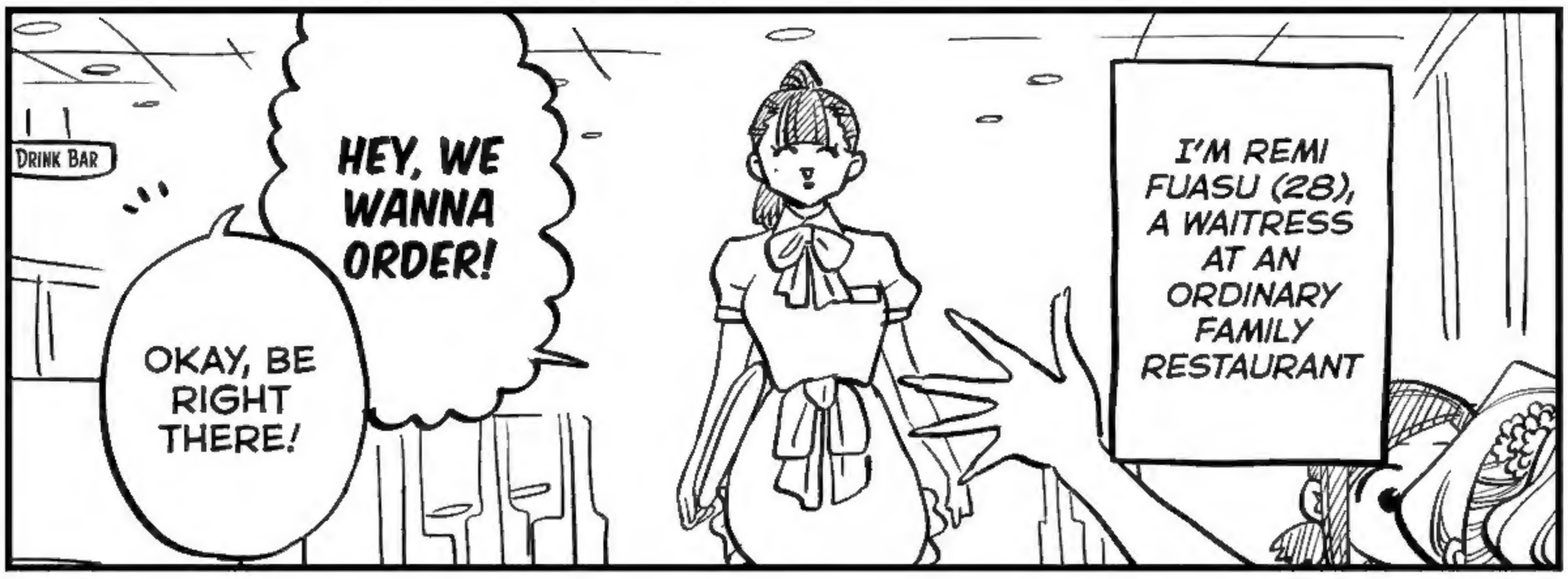
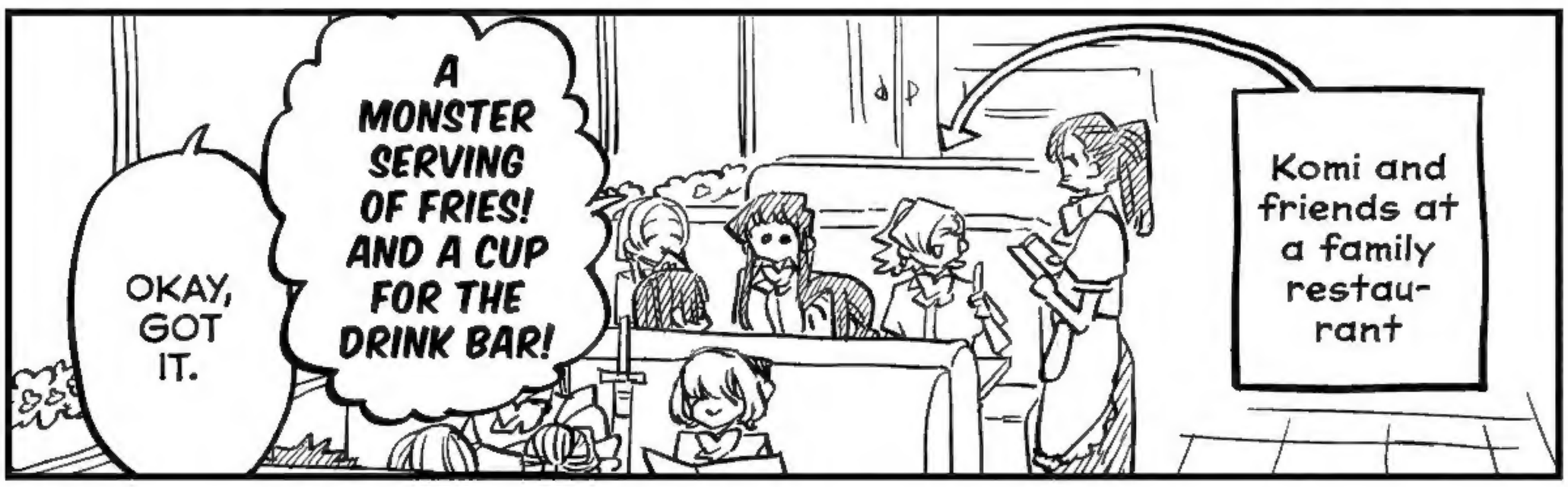
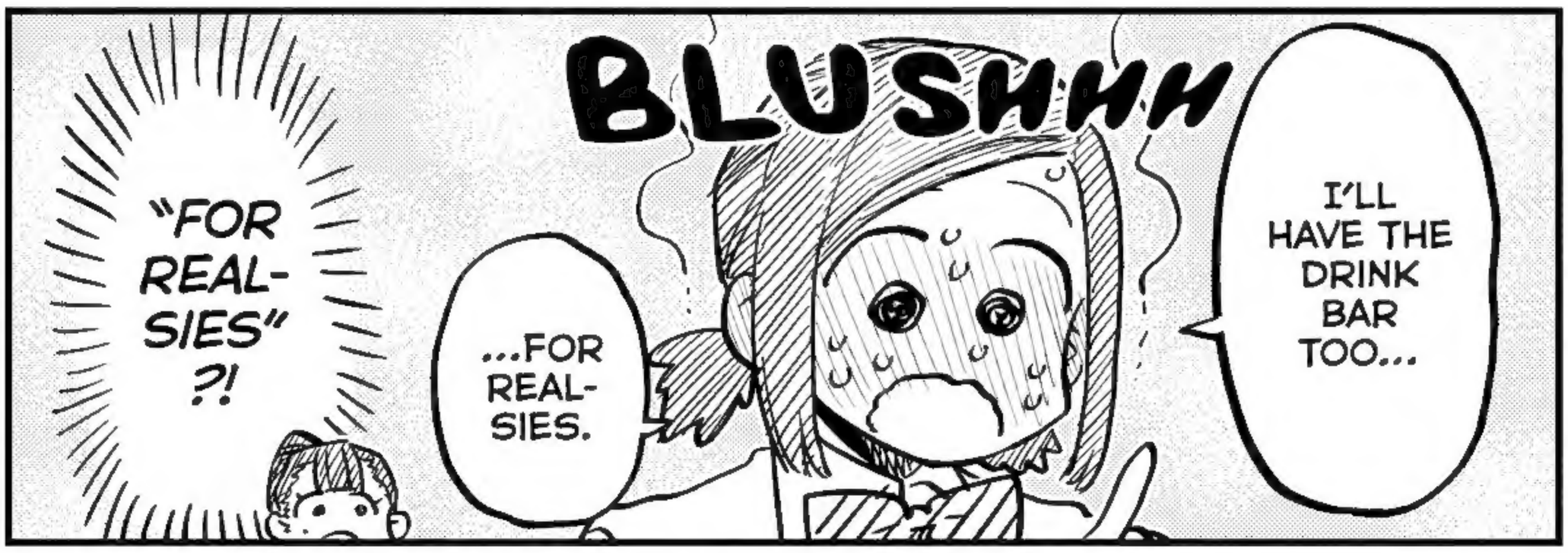
Komi Can't Communicate Bonus

Can Komi Make a 100 Friends? Shall We Get Something to Eat?







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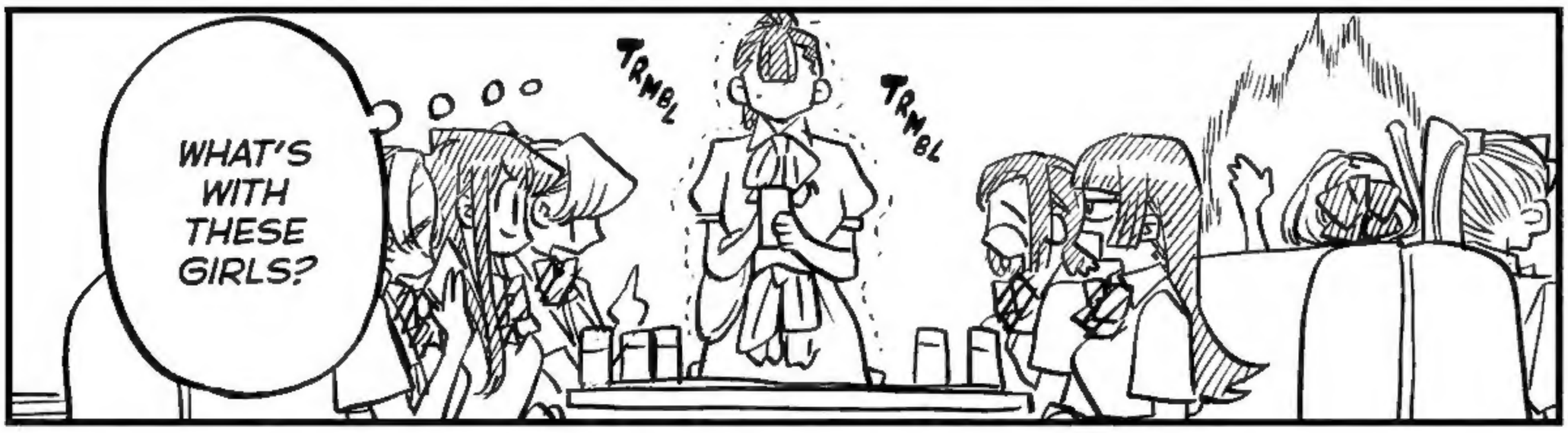

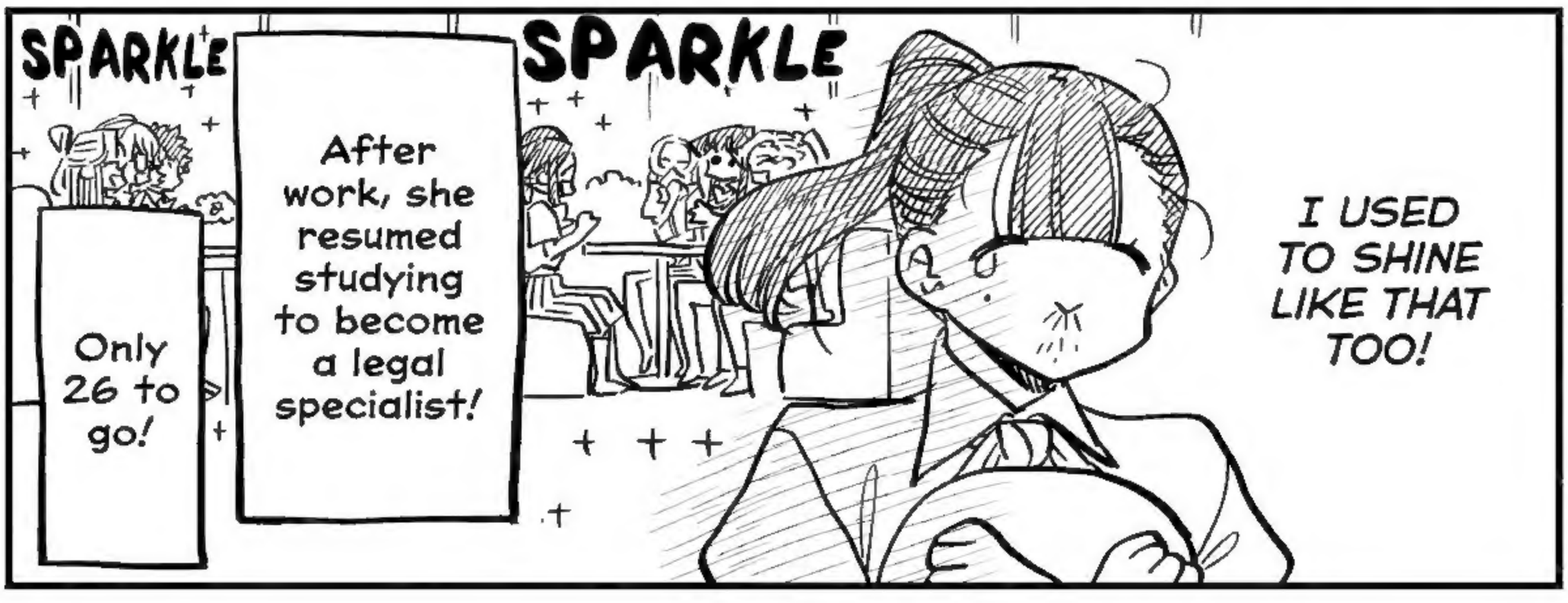

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